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### RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action, however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offence condoned or compromised. If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined; or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon other than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

## PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

L. W. GAMMON, MANAGER Five Nassau Street, New York

### JUNE PROTECTIVE WORK

### NOTES OF THE MONTH

### PROTECT CURRENCY IN TRANSIT

With a view of co-operating with the post-office authorities, express companies and railroad companies, it is suggested that members make a list of the currency shipped by them either by express or mail, classifying the notes as gold certificates, silver certificates, Federal reserve notes, national bank notes or United States notes; also giving the denomination of the notes and the serial numbers. In case of theft this information will be valuable in apprehending and prosecuting the persons committing depredations, and will at times make the recovery of money possible.

### INACTIVITY OF OFFENDERS

At no time have bank offenders in general occasioned so little loss and annoyance to the banking fraternity as at present. Almost universal peace now reigns throughout the ranks of these conspirators, whether it be because of their imprisonment, present disability, or reform. The professional swindlers now at liberty and operating number less than a half dozen. The yegg, whose profession consists of the cracking and robbing of safes, has never before offered so little disturbance to banks. In years past the fall and winter months, when folks remain indoors and retire at an early hour, have always brought with them the muffled voices of busy yeggmen and blast of nitro-glycerine as they attacked the contents of bank safes. The reports of their activities received by us from fall till early spring are so remarkably small in comparison to other years that we are led to believe that a general spirit of reform has been at work. The hold-up men, who have infested the west in particular, though still in the field, have fallen off considerably. With the passing of Henry Starr, famous outlaw and leader of that notorious band bearing his name, a strong detaining hand seemed to have descended upon his followers and other individuals of similar nature. Bank hold ups in the west are reported from time to time but this will continue as long as banks continue to do business in that section of the country.

### DETECTIVE AGENTS' GOOD WORK

In this issue there are recorded the arrests of 29 individuals who have committed offenses against members of this Association. Of this total 22 arrests were accomplished directly by our detective agents or through their endeavors, and the articles included in the "Arrested" column illustrate

where and how credit is honestly due. Of the 7 arrests remaining, 6 were accomplished by the combined efforts of police, sheriffs, or member banks themselves, and the 1 other arrest was effected as a result of the efforts of other protective sources. More than 75 per cent. of these arrests is due to the work of our detective agents.

### RAPID-FIRE DETECTIVE WORK

But one day is needed to bring perpetrator in apparently unsolvable case to justice. Steps cited in detail

As perfect an example of rapid-fire detective work as can be had is illustrated in the outcome of a case which a member of Jacksonville, Fla., turned over to C. E. Sears, Jacksonville representative of our detective agents, on June 15. Sears ran his man to earth on the same day that the bank reported the matter to him and it appeared, too, at the start as if the case would go on record as being utterly unsolvable.

These are the facts: On June 12 a member at Jacksonville received a telegram from a Sanford, Fla., bank to cash a draft for one J. T. Lee for a stated amount. A short time thereafter a man representing himself as J. T. Lee called at the Jacksonville bank and displayed a telegram addressed to J. T. Lee, Jacksonville, Fla., which purported to be signed by the Sanford bank, advising that they had wired the Jacksonville bank to cash J. T. Lee's draft. The man produced several letters addressed to J. T. Lee, Sanford, Fla., also copy of telegram he had sent to Sanford bank requesting that funds be telegraphed him. On this showing the Jacksonville bank paid the man the stated amount. The draft was sent direct to the Sanford bank and was returned by the next mail with the statement that the signature was not that of J. T. Lee, the Sanford bank having just been informed that he was not in Jacksonville at the time, but at Lake Okeechobee, Fla.

On June 15 the Jacksonville bank reported the swindle to Sears, declaring that they regarded it as a hopeless one, inasmuch as the forger had good time to make a getaway, but requested Sears to do the best he could on it for them. They described the man to him. Sears set to work.

Proceeding first to the postal telegraph office Sears ascertained that the message sent on Monday, June 12, was from their branch office at Bay Street. He called at this branch and interviewed the lady in charge. She remembered the man who had sent the J. T. Lee telegram, principally because he gave no address and called at the office several times for his answer before it came. Sears then interviewed the boys and found two that remembered the man perfectly. One of

the boys had even seen the man on Bay Street less than an hour ago, stating that he was now carrying a small handbag. Sears was less than an hour behind his man. The handbag led him to consider that the man was prepared to leave town, but he knew that no train had left or would leave Jacksonville within several hours, and he was thankful. He planned to throw out a drag-net of his own and endeavor to snare the fellow if he were still in Jacksonville.

Sears arranged with the lady in charge and both messenger boys to get away from their duties for the remainder of that day and to patrol the streets in conjunction with him. Sears gave the lady one of his cards with instructions to cover the downtown streets in search of the man. "If you come upon him, follow until you meet a policeman, give the latter my card and request the man's arrest," directed Sears. Then one of the boys was stationed at the Union Depot where all trains arrive and depart. Sears hurriedly explained the case to the station officer, who readily agreed to arrest the man promptly and send him in when pointed out by "Jimmie." With the other boy at his side Sears then began a systematic canvass of the saloons and restaurants in search of the forger.

At two places Sears got traces of the forger but at each they declared that he was an utter stranger. In one door and out the other of most every saloon and restaurant in town the pair went. Finally they entered a place where they beheld a man leaning against the bar who fitted the description of the one wanted. Sears turned to the boy at his side. "That's him;" excitedly declared the youngster. The boy was hurried off for a police officer while Sears stationed himself at the saloon exit with eyes upon the partially identified forger. When the officer arrived Sears explained the case to him and requested that the man be taken to headquarters until he was further identified.

Taken into custody the man gave his name as F. S. Bennett and his home as Lake Okeechobee, Fla. He denied all knowledge of J. T. Lee. Sears searched his person and handbag for the Lee letters but they were not found. The lady clerk and "Jimmie" arrived at headquarters at that moment. "That's the man," was now sounded by two voices instead of one. Bennett still firmly denied any connection with the matter. Sears set about to bring the bank man to the station in order that he too might look upon the prisoner.

No sooner had the teller glanced at Bennett than he recognized him as the one who had signed the name J. T. Lee to the draft and received the money on it. He voiced his opinion accordingly. Four people had positively identified Bennett. The man then broke down and admitted that he forged the name of J. T. Lee to both the telegram and the draft and received the money.

Sears knew that Bennett would secure the services of a lawyer and he feared that if he were not immediately brought before a judge and his plea of guilt recorded, that he might alter his words and make prosecution more difficult. So he hurriedly ushered the prisoner before a judge, where Bennett again admitted his guilt and was held in default of \$1,000 bail to await sentence. Bennett made a complete confession to Sears, stating that he knew Lee well and that the idea occurred to him to steal his letters and get the money while the latter was away from home.

### USES GLIDDEN VARNISH CO.

Members are advised that an alleged representative of this company is now conducting a swindling crusade against banks

In the February, 1916, Supplement we published an account of an individual who has secured a large number of bank victims in the cashing of bogus checks. Since that time this man has been actively plying his game. This is how he proceeds: He comes to town, approaches a real estate dealer and states his intention to purchase a home and settle down. However, he will complain that he is in need of cash to cover the deal and at the same time produces a check which he states the local bank will not cash without his being identified. The ambitious real estate man will solve his problem. A few moments later they enter your bank where the prospective settler is introduced and extends a

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check purporting to be signed by his employers the Glidden Varnish Co. You eash the check and the next train out of your town will list the swindler among its passengers. The Glidden Varnish Company brands this man as an imposter and forger. He has used the names George Howet, George Tobin, Charles Young, George Doran, etc. His check will be similar to the one herewith reproduced. He is 45 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 180 pounds, of medium stout build. His last operation was at East Las Vegas, N. Mex.

### GET-RICH-QUICK MARKUS

Man who nourished confidence of Baltimore bank and local business people conducts swindle and flees

A "get-rich-quick" has fleeced the city of Baltimore, Md. But his name is Leon Markus and not the expected Wallingford. Markus on May 18, entered a local bank, emptied his pockets of \$130 in cash and stated his desire to open an account. He related that he was a dealer in general merchandise and tailors' trimmings. The bank was impressed, and Markus became the possessor of a book of checks. Among the wholesale houses of Baltimore he went, making purchases and tendering checks. Of course the latter were paid by the bank and Markus was soon branded as a "sure thing." He again appeared at the bank. But this time he did not deposit cash, but a check on a distant bank for a large amount. Once more he approached the wholesale houses and tendered his checks. They were readily gobbled up. Before nightfall of that day Markus was many miles from Baltimore. His check on the distant bank was bogus. The Baltimore bank was a heavy loser. Get-Rich-Quick Markus is 39 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 180 pounds, of stout build. His face is either spotted with freckles or marked from smallpox. He has the facial features of a Hebrew or Syrian.

### CASHIERS' CHECKS RAISED

Individual who purchases cashiers' checks cleverly succeeds in raising amounts and cashing them

A member at Monroe, La., under date of June 19, writes us in part as follows: "We have had two cases of check raising that came to our attention in the past two weeks. One of these was a cashier's check purchased over our counter by a stranger giving the name of A. B. Warren. He afterwards negotiated this check away from here, indorsing it A. B. Warring, and raised it from \$8 to \$80. We are using a protectograph on our checks and by purchasing a check for \$8 it was only necessary for him to add the letter 'y' in the face of the check after the word 'eight' which he did in red ink very cleverly. The other occurrence was evidently by the same party. He procured a cashier's check in Mississippi, using the name J. A. Morgan. He indorsed the check J. W. Morgan and negotiated it with a local furniture dealer. The check was likewise originally issued for \$8 and raised in exactly the same manner to \$80. The local merchant sold him some furniture which was never called for and gave him about \$40 in change.



ALBERT HADLEY

### CANADIAN SOLDIER OPERATING

Claims to be on leave of absence: displays pass purporting to be signed by commanding officer which permits him free transportation on any railroad in Canada; endeavors to perpetrate swindle

Herewith is a reproduction of the photograph of Albert Hadley, alias William O. Bowers, alleged soldier of Canada, who is conducting a swindling attack against banks of our country. We quote from our June, 1916, Supplement in regard to the operations of this man: Hadley, on April 18, opened a checking account at a Portland bank by depositing two bogus checks drawn against the Bank of Montreal, Vancouver, B. C. He was given a passbook and a book of checks and warned not to issue any checks until the Bank of Montreal had notified as to the true character of the two checks he had deposited. But this did not prevent Hadley from entering a bank at Eugene and another at Springfield, Ore., where he related that he was a soldier in the Canadian army, that he was on a 30-day leave of absence: and that he was seeking a home in the town in which to place his mother. He displayed an alleged pass which entitled him to free transportation on any of Canada's railroads, also exhibited the passbook of the Portland bank which showed a deposit of \$400, then asked cash on one of the latter bank's checks. In both attempts he was successful in securing the cash called for. These banks were his victims, for the Portland bank refused to pass the checks. Hadley has not been taken to date. He is 25 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 170 pounds; and his mouth twitches as though he were continually nervous. Bertillon measurements: 78.3 83.0 92.6 19.0 15.4 13.4 5.8 26.5 11.9 9.3 48.8.

### HOLD-UP MAN SHOOTS TELLER

Enters Curwensville bank to perpetrate robbery, is held in grapple by bank men, and shoots teller

Paying-teller Harry Hoover of the Curwensville National Bank, Curwensville, Pa., has paid a heavy price for the endeavors he made on June 9 to protect his bank from robbery. It is stated that at 12.30 p. M. on this day a masked man entered the bank with two drawn pistols, evidently intending to rob the bank, and advancing upon teller Hoover.

"What do you want," demanded another official of the bank who had observed the intruder. The latter turned to the speaker, whereupon Mr. Hoover grasped one of his arms and endeavored to overpower him. The other official also joined in the fight, when one of the robber's guns was fired. A bullet entered the teller's mouth and passed out through his cheek. It caused him to stagger away. Finally the masked man was overpowered and captured, when he was identified as H. L. Downing, formerly a farmer and business man of Tyrone, Pa., and later a trusted citizen of Curwensville. No money was touched.

### SUPPLEMENTARY

In the May, 1915, Supplement, page 165, we published an article in reference to one Walter S. Jewell, who, we stated, was conducting loan swindles against banks. We also related that Jewell was then employed by J. A. Friedman, Inc., Philadelphia, wholesale and retail stationers. Under date of June 14, Mr. Albert A. Friedman, president of this concern wrote our agents as follows:

"We notice in your May issue JOURNAL of the American Bankers' Association an article relative to Walter S. Jewell. We beg to advise that we have discontinued the services of this party prior to April 1. He was only in our employ for a very brief period of time."

### WARNING

ANSELMO PHELIZ ALANZO is being sought for at Houston, Tex., in the belief that he has defrauded a local member by forcery.

- B. J. ARCHER, alleged solicitor of the Pioneer Life Insurance Company, has recently defrauded a non-member at Fellsburg, Kan., in the passing of a worthless check. He is 5 feet 5 inches. 140 pounds.
- J. C. BERG. A forgery of unusual cleverness was perpetrated by one J. C. Berg, alias Walter Stein, alias John C. Schmidth, who recently appeared at Antelope, Ore., and made known that he was about to open a bank in that town. Upon leaving Antelope he went to Portland, where he had printed a supply of drafts and bank stationery in the name of the First State Bank of Antelope, Ore. He prepared these checks and used a certification stamp thereon. With a supply of these he is known to have defrauded at least six merchants in Portland, but no banks. He is 30 to 35 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 160 pounds.
- H. L. BOTMAN, known also as H. L. Bolhiltan and Frank Bollin, recently deposited with a Kansas City, Mo., member a check for collection. He was given a check book and before the bank had received word as to the genuineness of his check, Botman had passed several checks against their bank. His check was returned as bogus.

EARL J. BROWN, alias J. G. Reed, it is alleged, has put to loss a member of Tulsa, Okla., in the cashing of a forged check. The latter was cashed at Drumright, Okla., but passed unnoticed through the bank's hands.

MINNIE BROWN. A woman using the name Minnie Brown has defrauded a member of Kane, Ill., by means of two checks to which the names of two brothers—depositors of the bank—had been forged. The checks were cashed at a mercantile concern in Jerseyville, Ill., and passed by the bank before they were discovered to be irregular.

ROBERT E. CALMAN, 46, formerly connected with R. H. Mallard, lumber broker, at Brunswick, Ga., has put to loss a Brunswick bank in the cashing of several checks to which he had forged Mallard's signature. Calman is 5 feet 9 inches, 155 pounds, of ruddy complexion; has iron gray hair. He is a bookkeeper.

FRANK DANIELS, a youth of Quannah, Tex., is suspected of having defrauded an Eldorado, Okla., member in the forging of a depositor's name to a telegram through which he secured a sum of money.

L. S. DAWES, plumber by trade, has victimized a member at Alexandria, La., in the cashing of a check to which he forged a depositor's signature. He is 50 years (appears younger), 5 feet 7 inches, 155 to 160 pounds, of florid complexion. He is slightly bow-legged; has a thin nose which turns to the right.

A party using the name of H. L. Francis, representing himself to be a nephew of the Ambassador to Russia, David R. Francis of St. Louis, about 42 year of age, light hair, blue eyes, florid complexion, claims to have just arrived from South America with a sick wife and child, also at other times claims to be in the contracting business in Denver, has at various times during the past eighteen months defrauded Mr. Francis' friends in New York City, Providence, R. I., Washington, D. C., and Baltimore.

SAM FRY, 28, is alleged to have put to loss a member at Collinsville, Okla., in the cashing of a forged check. He is 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds, has black hair and eyes and a chin which comes to a sharp point.

- B. GOODFRIED, window washer, 25 years of age, is alleged to have cashed a forged check at Denver, Colo., a local member was thereby put to loss. He is 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds.
- A. HENDERSON on June 5 appeared at a bank of Whittier, Cal., and deposited for collection a draft drawn by the Niles State Bank, Niles, Cal. The bank refused to advance him any funds, whereupon he took the draft and left the bank. Later he returned to the bank with one of the bank's customers who indorsed the draft; \$50 was advanced to Henderson. His draft was worthless. He is 30 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 to 160 pounds.
- J. P. KANGLEY, formerly a real-estate operator of Kansas City, Mo., on May 20, defrauded a member of Kansas City in the passing of a bogus check. He is 32 to 35 years, 6 feet.

CHARLES KERR, 28, wanted by a member at Hartford, Kan., on a charge of defrauding by forgery. He is 5 feet 9 inches; has medium brown hair and blue eyes. Has one gold tooth and a woman's head tattooed on each shoulder.

JAMES LAWSON, 29, is wanted by a member at Fort Madíson, Iowa, on a charge of defrauding by forging an indorsement to a check. It is stated that Lawson may now be at Portland, Ore. The Iowa Bankers Association is cooperating with this Association in this matter.

GEORGE LE MONT is wanted by a member at Los Angeles, Cal., who alleges that he put their bank to loss in the cashing of a forged check. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in this investigation.

A. C. LOCKE is alleged to have forged the signature of a depositor to two checks drawn upon a Houston, Tex., member, one of which the latter cashed and thereby suffered loss. He is 25 to 27 years, 6 feet 2 inches, 190 pounds; his right eye is false; prefers to work in oil fields.

CHARLES MARTIN, negro, is wanted by a member of Stuart, Fla., on a charge of having defrauded their institution in the accepting of cash on a note to which he had signed a depositor's signature. He is 5 feet 10 or 11 inches, slim in stature, 20 years of age, has a rough face.

SAM J. MIHAS, tailor, formerly employed at Buhl, Idaho, has defrauded a local member in the cashing of checks to which he forged his employer's signature. He also passed several bogus checks at Buhl. He is 25 to 27 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 175 pounds; it is very noticeable that he is a Greek.

CHARLES F. MOORE, former business man of Fresno, Cal., recently defrauded a member at Modesto, Cal., in the cashing of a worthless check. He was last heard of about May 20 when he cashed a similar check at Tucson, Ariz. He is reported to be traveling in a Ford automobile with a woman companion. He is 47 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 177 pounds, has a peculiar walk and at times uses a cane.

J. H. MOORE. A member bank at New Cambria, Mo., reports that checks Nos. 13274 to 13281, inclusive, have been stolen from the Lindley-Buster Produce Co., of New Cambria and J. H. Moore has been passing them throughout Missouri, signing them G. E. Hall, Manager.

JACK MURPHY, 40, is wanted by a member at Stradford, Tex., who alleges that while working at a local ranch he forged his employer's name to a check which he succeeded in cashing at the Stradford Bank. He is 5 feet 8 inches, 185 pounds, has a freckled face and dresses in the clothes of a ranch hand or cow puncher.

H. L. NEEL, claiming to be a representative of the Moneyweight Scale Co., Chicago, Ill., has defrauded a member at Braman, Okla., in the cashing of a forged draft. He is 29 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds.

HOWARD NELSON, 25, is wanted by a member at Antioch, Cal., it being alleged that he raised and cashed a check at their bank. He is a laborer, 5 feet 6 inches, 135 to 140 pounds, weather-beaten face, blue eyes and blond hair; he stutters. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with us in the investigation of this case.

D. PARKER, alleged cattle ranch cutter of El Paso, Tex., has victimized a member at Rutland, Vt., in the cashing of a bogus check. He is 35 years, 5 feet 2½ inches, 215 pounds; very fluent conversationalist.

H. K. PARKER, a Scottish Rite Mason, alleged representative of Thompson & Thompson, Providence, R. I., has put to loss a member of Massillon, Ohio, in the cashing of a bogus check.

MAJOR W. E. PRICE is wanted by a member at Petaluma, Cal., who alleges that he defrauded their institution in the forging of local party's name to a note which he used as collateral. He is 45 to 50 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 130 pounds; has a bad sear near his mouth; strokes his beard continually and is hard of hearing.

WM. H. SOCKWELL, who has victimized a member at Jacksonville, Fla., in the cashing of a bogus check, is now being sought by our agents. He recently appeared at Buffalo, N. Y., where he again succeeded in cashing a bogus check. He is a native of Indiana, 31 years of age, 6 feet 4 inches, 200 pounds, of athletic build, has brown hair and eyes. He is an engineer



WILLIAM H. SOCKWELL

by profession, good looking, but stoops slightly, this affecting his commanding height. He has used also the names C. M. Robinson and S. H. Miller.

MIKE STANKOFF, alias Mike Pasko, Roumanian, is alleged to have defrauded a member at Toledo, Ohio, by forgery. He is sought by our agents and is believed to have gone to Detroit, Mich. He is 21 to 23 years, 5 feet 7 inches.

C. P. STERLING. A member at Waterloo, Iowa, has reported that one C. P. Sterling, 35 to 40 years of age, recently stole a number of checks of the Sheldon Produce Company, Sheldon, Iowa. One of the stolen checks bearing the forged indorsement of a doctor at Waterloo, Iowa, was cashed for Sterling at a Waterloo bank. Sterling is 5 feet 10 inches, 180 pounds, well built and neat in appearance.

G. A. SULLIVAN has put to loss a member of Webster, Fla., in the raising and cashing of a check.

GUY SWAN, 30, is wanted by a member at Eau Claire, Mich., on a warrant charging defrauding by forgery, it being alleged that Swan while employed on a local farm accepted an opportunity to forge his employer's signature to two checks. He is 157 pounds; has a prominent nose.



EARL M. TATE

EARL M. TATE, alias Terry Kellar, 33, alleged prizefighter, is wanted by a member at Granby, Mo., on a chargeof defrauding by forgery. He is 5 feet 11 inches, 180 pounds, of florid complexion; has light auburn hair. There is a tattoo of blue and red, "E. M. T." with a five pointed star on his rightforearm front. It is believed that he has gone to Michigan.

F. WILSON, printer, is wanted by a member at Hopewell, Va., on a charge of defrauding by forged check. He is 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds; has dark hair and dark gray and piercing eyes.

CHARLES YOUNG, 25, is alleged to have defrauded a member of Chelsea, Mass., in the cashing of a check to which he forged a depositor's signature. He is 5 feet 6½ inches, 135 pounds; has light blond hair; is a tailor by trade.

# GENERAL PARTIN MFG. CO.

Investigation shows that statement from York, Neb.,

In our issue of June, 1916, Vol. 8, No. 12, page 183, there appeared a letter from one of our correspondents in York, Neb., relative to the Partin Mfg. Co., of Memphis, Tenn. The letter in question was published before being submitted to said company, but since its publication we have examined the correspondence between this company and the correspondent mentioned and the firm making the contract. In the original letter it was stated that the business of the Partin Mfg. Co. was devoted to increasing the sales of certain merchants in the various states in which the said company operates. Their plan, according to the files of this company, was to undertake for a consideration of \$800, by a campaign of advertising, to increase materially the business of the merchants interested; that is, for whom they were working. From these merchants they take a note for \$800, payable at some time in the future, in consideration for which they agree to give an automobile, and some other prizes, at the end of the campaign. It is claimed that the merchant who complained against this company desired to get out of the contract before it was completed without payment of the costs that had been incurred by the Partin Mfg. Co. This disagreement led to the letter published. The Partin Mfg. Co. has the indorsement of many banks and others of high standing. This article is published after a showing by said company which contends that its methods are not subject to criticism and its disagreement with the York merchant has no bearing on its honesty.



CLARENCE SHEFTALL

### WARN YOUR HOTEL CUSTOMERS

Alleged traveling salesman is conducting swindling attack against hotels

It would be well for members to notify their customers in the hotel business that a swindling crusade is being made against them by a bogus check operator who presents himself as a traveling salesman. This man registers at a hotel and after he has formed an acquaintance with the clerk at the desk, he relates that he is a traveling salesman and has just received an expense check from his employers. He opens the alleged letter of his company and exhibits it to the clerk who will note that the check bears the same signature and references as the letter. He also displays a card which again corroborates him in his statement. Thus impressed, the clerk will cash the check, after which our traveling salesman will be seen 1 ) more, for his check is bogus as are his literature and pretext. The check herewith reproduced is one which he recently cashed at Sumter, S. C. The photograph shown is one of Clarence Sheftall, who has been identified in several instances as the operator. The names of the following concerns have been used: E. B. Latham & Co., N. J. China & Pottery Co., Syracuse Hardware & Iron Co., Ft. Wayne Engineering & Mfg. Co., etc. The check passer is 41 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds; has one upper front gold tooth; occasionally wears glasses.



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E. A. ROMAINE

### A CRIMINAL FOR LIFE

Arrested for a series of crimes, prisoner informs authorities that he has always been a "crook" and will continue to be one

E. A. ROMAINE, 23 years of age, was arrested at Vancouver, Wash., on May 19 for forgery. "I have always been a crook and expect to be one for the rest of my life," announced this strange individual to the police and detectives gathered about his cell. Then in an off-hand manner he related that in 1908 he was arrested in Chicago, Ill., for burglary and was sentenced to the Illinois State Reformatory for 3 years and 8 months; that immediately upon his release he commenced to forge and pass checks and had continued to do so until the time of his arrest at Vancouver; that he had also served a sentence in the Washington State Reformatory; that he had fleeced every state in the west with forged checks and that he had used so many assumed names that he could not recall them all. "And I expect to continue these swindles just as soon as I regain my liberty," he concluded.

H. E. ANDERSON recently drew a draft at Miami, Okla., upon Edward C. Plume Co., Chicago, Ill., which was refused because Anderson is no longer with that concern.

EDMOND R. BAKER has cashed a bogus check at Chicago, Ill.

HENRY E. BENNETT, alleged traveling agent of the Union News Company, has passed at Pottsville, Pa., bogus checks on the Market Street National Bank, Philadelphia.

JAMES C. BLAINE, or JAMES C. ELAINE, has passed a worthless draft at Cairo, Ill.

THOMAS A. BROWN, alias Harry B. Wilkins, bogus check operator, was on May 28 arrested by the police of Back Bay Station, Mass.

FRANK BUSH, 25, recently drew checks against San Francisco banks to which he forged the names of well known local individuals. Either Bush or an accomplice first telephoned the intended victim (ticket agents or saloons) representing himself as the local party and stating that he was sending a man along with a check for cash. Bush has secured several victims.

J. A. DOBSON, alias J. A. Lester, has cashed bogus checks at Jersey Shore, Pa., and Renova, Pa., on the blanks of Geo. Barrie's Sons, Publishers, Philadelphia.

J. J. GOETZ, alias J. J. Miller, insurance agent, has perpetrated a check swindle at Larned, Kan.

M. HARRIS, 23, has passed worthless checks at Philadelphia, Pa.

GEORGE F. HERNDON, 24, has cashed a worthless check at Cairo, Ill.

JOHN J. HIGGINS, 40, alias George Atwood, has operated at Cairo, Ill., with forged check.

EDWARD C. KINDRED, mentioned on page 53 of the October, 1915, Supplement as being wanted by the police of New York City on a charge of embezzlement was on June 12 arrested at Boston, Mass.

PHILIP LANDELE, alias Phil Bailey, alias James Devona, etc., bank sneak thief of note, was on May 24 arrested in a bank at Detroit, Mich., by the local police. It was evident that this man had entered the bank to perpetrate a theft, for upon his person was found a wire hook to use for the purpose of inserting between the bars of a cage and attaching itself to any currency within reach. On May 25 he was sentenced to 6 months in the House of Correction, Detroit, Mich.

W. B. McCOY, alias W. B. McCarthy, alias W. M. McCauley, has passed a bogus check at Richmond, Va.

J. M. MACBETH, alias John F. Fordice, has cashed a forged certified check at St. Louis, Mo.

E. MILAN, alias W. M. Miller, is operating in Texas with bogus checks on an unexisting bank (Standard Trust Company, Portland, Ore.).

W. N. MOORE, who represents himself as a salesman of the Phillips Carey Co., Asbestos Mfrs., Lockland, Ohio, and exhibits literature and cards to corroborate him in his representations, recently defrauded a hotel at Saginaw, Mich., in the passing of a forged cashier's draft of the First National Bank, Lockland, Ohio.

WILLIAM O'KEEFE and THOMAS McGUIRE have been arrested at Detroit, Mich., charged with forgery and uttering.

R. F. ROBERSON, of Trion, Ga., is drawing bogus checks against a member at Summerville, Ga. The last check was cashed at South Bend, Ind. Numerous mail-order houses in the east have also accepted bogus checks from this man.

E. J. STANTON, alias H. W. Carr, has cashed a forged check at Weed, Cal.

HENRY WELLS and FRANK KETTERMAN, members of the famous, but now leaderless, Henry Starr outlaw gang, were captured by a posse of citizens on May 25 after they had held up and robbed the First State Bank (N. M.), Wynona, Okla.

C. W. WESTBROOK. There is a swindler operating against hotels, representing himself as a traveling salesman. He recently appeared at Lewisburg, Pa., where he used the name J. A. Lester. He is none other than C. W. Westbrook, J. T. McClain, H. E. Morgan, etc.

STANTON D. WILSON has cashed forged checks at Pittsburgh, Pa.

C. A. ZINK, 45 to 50, recently conducted a swindle at Kansas City, Mo., through the medium of a worthless check on the Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis, Mo.



HOWARD E. FARNSWORTH

# ARRESTED PREACHES REFORM, THEN FALLS

Agents recognize old offender in his plan of operation and cause his arrest for fear he will attack members. Was noted writer on prison reform

Some years ago banks everywhere reported the swindling operations of one Howard E. Farnsworth, with numerous aliases. They stated that his mode of procedure was to get into the confidence of a real estate dealer, arrange to rent a local house, and then ask to be introduced at a bank. Farnsworth, on the strength of the introduction, would thus be enabled to secure cash on a check entirely bogus. He worked this scheme for a number of years, giving the authorities a hot chase from state to state, but he was finally captured in February, 1913, at Bennington, Vt. A year and several months was the time netted him to serve for the local offense he had committed. Soon after his incarceration his ability manifested itself in the appearance of a newspaper publication, printed within the prison, of which he was the editor. His brilliant editorials on prison reform won him the interest of students of psychology and as a result he was placed on parole by the Governor of Vermont. After his release Farnsworth became a prominent figure in Vermont through his lectures on prison reform and he held himself before the public as a fit subject of the reformation. Shortly thereafter he disappeared from those surroundings.

The scene is now changed to a small town outside of the city of Chicago, Ill. A real estate dealer has just been approached by a prosperous appearing gentleman who has announced his intention to rent a local house. The dealer is impressed by the stranger (who gives his name as R. E. Brown) and finally arrangements are made whereby the latter's desires can be accommodated. Before the last contract is signed, however, the stranger appeals to the dealer to introduce him to local tradesmen as he had several matters in mind that must be immediately attended to. Of course the dealer does as requested and the would-be resident puts these matters under operation. He is short of cash so he tenders checks to the tradesmen to cover his end of the deals. The fact that this stranger has been introduced by their reliable real estate dealer is considered sufficient guarantee as to the validity of the former's check, so they accept the paper and extend the change in cash. A few days thereafter they learn that the checks are bogus. Brown has disappeared and they are victimized. Reports of this operation reached our detective agents. They recall that Howard E. Farnsworth used a similar method, and forwarded his photograph to the little suburb. "That's the man," was the reply. Farnsworth was again at work. For fear that he would proceed against members, we ordered our agents to take up his trail. On June 12 they caught up with their man at Burlington, Vt., and pointed him out to the local police who made the arrest. The preacher and writer of reform confessed to his late deeds and was returned to the Vermont State Penitentiary to serve the balance of his sentence through violation of parole. He will be confined for practically 3 years.

### DARING FORGER CAPTURED

Secures large sum of money on forged check from Brooklyn bank; returns day later to repeat; is recognized, and captured after chase

JOHN GORDON RYKER is a daring individual. His swindling operations on June 3 and 5 at Brooklyn, N. Y., prove it. On the first day mentioned, Ryker appeared at the bank in question with a check payable to bearer in amount of \$106.50, which purported to be signed and indorsed by a depositor. The cash was given to Ryker without the least question and he departed. However, the bookkeepers notified the depositor that this check had overdrawn his account.



JOHN GORDON RYKER

whereupon the depositor denied that he had signed the \$106.50 check or had any knowledge of it whatever. The bank realized that it had been victimized. Imagine the surprise of the bank when on the day following Ryker again entered the bank and presented a check made payable to bearer in amount of \$120.15, which purported to be signed by the same depositor. And he would have got the money, too, had it not been for the fact that his first check had overdrawn the account and the depositor had notified the bank that it was a forgery. The paying teller recognized Ryker, left the cage under a. pretext, summoned two bookkeepers to his aid, and advanced upon the daring forger. The latter's suspicions had been aroused and at this moment he made a dash for the door. Down the street he fled with a throng composed of bank men and customers at his heels. As it happened he ran headlong into the arms of a city detective, who instinctively collared him and waited for his pursuers. The man has a long criminal record and has been arrested by our agents on two different occasions in the past for defrauding member banks. He has been associated with a gang of letter-box thieves and forgers who have made New York City their headquarters. When our agents presented his record before the magistrate he refused to admit the prisoner to bail. Journal-Bulletin: October, 1912, page 256; January, 1913, page 459; September, 1914, page 181; December 1914, page 404.

### FATHER SURRENDERS SON

Parent of boy who commits crime joins with authorities in promoting ends of justice

ARCHIE E. McCREA, 21, is today held in jail at Portland, Ore., charged with having defrauded a local member bank in the raising and cashing of a pay check, as a result of action taken by his own father in serving the ends of justice. This member declared that McCrea was given a \$4.60 check by a local concern and that he inserted an "0" after the 4 and added "ty" to the four, thus making the check read \$40.60, instead of \$4.60. They cashed the check for him. In the investigation that followed, McCrea's father learned of his son's offense and when the latter returned to his home under cover and sought protection, the father immediately placed hands upon him and carried him off to headquarters. The Oregon Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in financing the investigation of this case.

### QUICK SEARCH LANDS ROBBER

Individual who held up Neck City, Mo., bank is captured and returned for prosecution

With a cry of "stick up your hands" upon his lips, a man rushed into the Bank of Neck City, Neck City, Mo., on May 31, and covered the one employee present with a loaded revolver. The bank man did as ordered, when he was told to go into the vault. The hold-up man warned him that if he dared to open the door he would blow the bank to pieces and flaunted a bottle of liquid to cause greater fear in his words. \$2,166 fell into the robber's hands before he took to his car, which lay in wait outside the bank, and made away. In the investigation that immediately followed by our agents it was definitely determined that one Jack Berri, alias Didricksen, had perpetrated this hold up. Through this information Berri was arrested at Sedalia, Mo., on June 17, by the local authorities and held for his return to Neck City.

F. S. BENNETT. In an earlier column of this issue under the title, "Rapid-Fire Detective Work," we record the arrest of F. S. Bennett, who defrauded a member of Jacksonville, Fla., by forgery. A representative of our detective agents was responsible for the capture of this man.

D. W. BUTTS, who during May put to loss a member at Van Nuys, Cal., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature, was on May 26 located by our agents at Ft. McDowell, near San Francisco, he having enlisted in the army. He was arrested and held pending prosecution. The California Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in this case.



LEO BURLOW

LEO BURLOW, alias August D. Weise, 19, on June 8 was turned over to the police of Portland, Ore., by a local bank after he had attempted to victimize them in the cashing of a forged withdrawal check. He admitted having stolen the depositor's passbook and forged the signature. He has two police records. Is 5 feet 7 inches, 123 pounds; has brown hair and blue gray eyes. Bertillon measurements: 70.0-74.0 89.5 19.3 15.4 13.2 6.7 25.2 11.4 8.9 45.3. Finger prints: 11/4 R/- 10/01=16.



DANIEL COLEMAN

DANIEL COLEMAN, known also as L. E. Bach, was on June 3 arrested at San Francisco by our agents and the local police charged with issuing worthless checks. Coleman has been residing for several weeks at Los Gatos, Cal., where he had contracted to purchase valuable real estate. He had deposited a draft of \$7,500 drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank, New York, N. Y., and endearoved to draw against it. Failing in this, however, he proceeded to hand out post-dated checks to his friends. The New York draft was bogus. He then went to San Francisco where he purchased a diamond ring and tendered a worthless check in payment. As L. E. Bach he is wanted also at Eureka, Cal., on check charges. This man represented himself as a wealthy piano manufacturer of New York City and gave several recitals. He is 53 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 154 pounds, has large brown eyes, black hair. Finger print: 30/32 II/I.

RUSSELL J. COLEMAN, 24, who recently defrauded a member at Atchison, Kan., in the cashing of a forged check

was on May 27 arrested at Kansas City, Mo., by the sheriff of Atchison and our agents. He confessed and was returned to Atchison. He is 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds. A girl of 18 years accompanied Coleman at the time of his arrest.

A. F. CUMMINGS, mentioned on page 87 of the December, 1915, Supplement as having defrauded a member at Manchester Center, Vt., by worthless check, was on December 20, 1915, arrested by our agents at Newport, R. I. Through an oversight on our part we failed to record this arrest in the proper issue.

C. E. DILLON, mentioned on page 169 of the May, 1916, Supplement as having implicated himself with one Tom Talbott in the hold up and robbery of the First National Bank, Houston, Pa., was on June 11, arrested at Montreal, Cap.

C. H. GRAHAM, who in October, 1915, victimized a member at Montgomery, Ala., in the cashing of worthless checks, was on May 25 arrested by the police at Louisville, Ky., upon information furnished by our agents.

C. D. HUGHES, who, it is alleged, has defrauded a member of Ludlow, Ky., in the cashing of a worthless check, was recently located by our agents at Columbus, Ohio. (See "Released" column of this issue for further information.)

AUGUST HYEDO, Pole, who has put to loss a member at Omaha, Neb., in the cashing of forged check, was on May 22 arrested at Kansas City, Mo., by the local police.

COURT JACOB, 19, was on May 27 taken into custody at Dallas, Tex., by our agents, on complaint of a local member who alleged that he attempted on May 26 to defraud them by cashing a forged check.



CHARLES E. KAIN

CHARLES E. KAIN, alias Charles Hall, dealer in American bred and imported stallions, with headquarters at Morenci, Mich., who during May, 1916, swindled a member at Millersburg, Ohio, in the forging of several notes, was on May 23 arrested at Millersburg by the local sheriff. He is 39 years, 5 feet 10¾ inches, 200 pounds, of stout build, has a florid complexion, black wavy hair and a prominent nose.

JOHN L. KANE who defrauded a member of Newark, N. J., recently in the forging and cashing of a certified check, was arrested as a result of information furnished by our agents, May 30, at Newark by the local police.

A. E. LEWIS, has been arrested for his implication in the hold up of the Copper State Bank of Copperfield Bingham Canyon, Utah.



HERBERT E. LEWIS

HERBERT E. LEWIS, who has operated against members at Asbury Park, N. J., and Washington, D. C., with bogus checks, was on June 3 arrested at Washington, D. C., by our agents and the local authorities. He is held pending prosecution at Washington. Lewis has used also the names L. Norton, George W. Lewis, and Herbert Wright. He is 18 years, 5 feet 3½ inches, 120 pounds. Bertillon measurements: 61.0 71.0 82.3 19.1 15.7 5.9 24.3 11.8 9.2 45.4. Finger prints: 25/10 1/0 M/0 = 10.

ROBERT P. MANNION, JR., who recently defrauded a San Diego, Cal., member in the raising and cashing of a check, was on June 17 arrested at Las Vegas, Nev., by the local sheriff upon information furnished by our detective agents.

GEORGE MILLER, 25, who some time ago was arrested for defrauding a member at Ithaca, N. Y., by forgery and who was placed on probation and violated same, was on May 23 arrested by the sheriff at Waterloo, N. Y., upon information furnished by our agents.

JEFF ROBINSON. A member at Collinsville, Okla, recently suffered a loss by cashing a check bearing the forged signature of one of their depositors. An investigation by our agents established the fact that Jeff Robinson and Sam Frey, local characters, were responsible for this offense. With the assistance of the Collinsville authorities our agents arrested Robinson on June 11. Frey, it is believed, has gone to Omaha, Neb.

CHARLES SMITH, alias Charles Kaspar, 25, who has put to loss a member of Chicago, Ill., in the cashing of four checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature, was on June 2 arrested at Chicago by our agents and the local police. The former had located Smith and assisted in the arrest on the very day that the bank reported this matter.

E. L. TILEY, who swindled a member at Cincinnati, Ohio, in the cashing of a bogus check, drawn against the First National Bank of Seymour, Seymour, Ind., was on June 13 arrested at Pittsburgh, Pa., by our agents and the local police.



WM. NOUSCH

WILLIAM NOUSCH. This man beat a hasty retreat from Chester, Pa., on May 29, for he had just swindled a local member out of a large sum of money by forgery, it is alleged. Nousch roomed with an acquaintance at Chester and succeeded in getting his hands upon the latter's passbook of a local bank. He filled out a check for the full amount on deposit, forged his room-mate's, signature, proceeded to the bank where he presented himself in the latter's name, related that he was leaving town to go to Hartford where his sister had died, was given the money and bid Chester an immediate adieu. On June 20 Nousch was arrested at Hartford, Conn., by our detective agents and the local police. He denied all connection with the offense charged against him.

CHARLES W. TOBIN, known also as W. D. Wilson, and Cyrus Ferrier, who on February 15 defrauded a member of Los Angeles, Cal., in the cashing of a worthless check, was on June 6 arrested at Merced, Cal., on another check charge. April, 1916, Supplement, page 149. The California Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in the investigation of this case.

ELMER WEST on May 21, was arrested near Ravenwood, Mo., by our agents and the local city marshal, it being alleged by a member at Berryville, Ark., that West had put them to loss in the cashing of a bogus check.

ALBERTHA WILLIAMS, negro, has been arrested at Jackson, Miss., by our agents assisted by the local police. The woman is charged by a local member as having defrauded their institution by forgery. She confessed.

WILL E. WRIGHT, who has victimized a member at Houston, Tex., in the cashing of two checks bearing the forged signatures of a depositor, was on June 5 arrested at Houston by our agents.

## CONVICTED INNOCENT OR GUILTY?

Charged with the hold up and robbery of Houston, Pa., bank, defendant makes urgent plea of innocence to court

Accused of being one of the two men who on April 6, 1915, held up and robbed the First National Bank, Houston, Pa., Thomas H. Talbott on June 1 was sentenced at Washington, Pa., to serve from eight to ten years in the Western Penitentiary of Pennsylvania. Talbott applied for a new trial but it was denied him. When asked if he had anything to say before sentence was imposed, the prisoner addressed the court:

"Your Honor, as I stand in the presence of God, I am innocent of the robbery of the Houston Bank. I have been making plenty of money, was making money when arrested and have considerable money and can make more money. Do you suppose I would disgrace my wife and child and mother by participating in this robbery? Do you think I would bring my relatives into this court and have them tell lies just to clear me? Every cent of money found on me when arrested was honestly earned. I am innocent."

A portion of the stolen money had been found at his home; his wife, at the time of the finding of the money, had plainly declared that her husband had robbed the bank; and numerous other facts could not fail to connect Talbott with the hold up.

FRANK ADAMS, forgery, March 27, 1916, 20 months, South Dakota Penitentiary.

ARTHUR AIEVOLI, forgery, May 23, 1916, 3 years probation.

ELIAS BLUM, alias Arthur Williams, forgery, June 8, 1916, 3 years probation.

WILLIAM BURKE, bogus checks, paroled.

A. F. CUMMINGS, worthless check, fined and placed under probation.

LEON L. DOANE, worthless checks, May 24, 1916, 5 years, San Quentin, Cal.

NIK EVANOFF, attempt to defraud, Washington State Penitentiary.

HOWARD E. FARNSWORTH, bogus check, returned to Vermont State Prison to serve unexpired term.

W. G. FLEMING, forgery, indeterminate term, Ohio State Reformatory.

O. A. JOHNSON, mortgage swindle, 1 year and 6 months, South Dakota State Penitentiary.

GEORGE KATZ, alias Samuel Katz, alias Jacob Millner, etc., forgery, May 22, 1916, 1 year, Philadelphia, Pa., county prison.

R. E. KING, alias R. E. Kingsley, etc., forgeries, 3 years, California State Penitentiary.

L. S. KINGSBURY, bogus checks, 3 years, Maryland Penitentiary.

J. A. RABB, forgery, April, 1916, 3 years, Louisiana State Penitentiary.

VOLLIE SHELBY, forgery, 1 to 14 years, Chester, Ill., Penitentiary.

GEORGE LEE THORNE, forgery, 15 years, Washington State Penitentiary.

CHARLES W. TOBIN, worthless check, 4 years, San Quentin, Cal., Penitentiary.

WILLIAM C. D. TURNER, forgery, May 15, 1916, 2 years, California State Penitentiary.

### RELEASED

C. H. GRAHAM, worthless checks, released; bank permitted compromise.

C. D. HUGHES, alleged worthless check, could not be extradited from Ohio to Kentucky because of small amount of check; compelled to remain at Columbus as U. S. soldier.

PETE KOSMOS, swindle, released.

LESLIE M. WAYMAN, worthless check, released.

ELMER WEST, bogus check, released; prosecuting attorney ordered compromise and releasing.

### **ESCAPED**

EDWARD MANN, bogus checks, escaped jail at Lonoke, Ark.

### AWAITING ACTION

#### ALLEGED FORGERS AND SWINDLERS

Andrews, Bob, swindle, Ramseur, N. C. Bennett, F. S., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla. Betts, George W., swindle, Caney, Kan. Bishop, James G., forgery, New Haven, Conn. Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass. Boykin, Gray, raised check, Palestine, Tex. Brant, George T., forgery, Portland, Ore. Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal. Burlow, Leo, forgery, Portland, Ore. Burt, Mrs. Kate, forgery, Juneau, Alaska. Busby, Joe, mortgage swindle, Claremore, Okla. Butts, D. W., forgery, Van Nuys, Cal. Calleris, John, swindle, Lexington, Ky. Cameron, Earl L., forgery, Goldendale, Wash. Clark, W. E., forgery, Kansas City, Mo. Coleman, Daniel, worthless check, Los Gatos, Cal. Coleman, Russell J., forgery, Atchison, Kan. Cowan, William C., forgery, New York, N. Y. Cox, Lucile, forgery, Fort Worth, Tex. Cragin, George H., forgery, Boston, Mass. Davis, Everett' J., forgery, Watertown, N. Y. Dent, Dan, forgery, Moscow, Kan. Dillon, C. E., bogus checks, Tyler, Minn. Dingfelder, Christ, forgery, Detroit, Mich. Dodson, C. L., forgery, Boston, Mass. Dykstra, J. J., swindle, Guthrie, Okla. Fox, Harry, bogus check, Lynchburg, Va.

Genebis, Frank, bogus checks, San Pedro, Cal. Geyer, Henry, Mount Vernon, Iowa. Gray, Sandy, forgery, Forest City, N. C. Green, Max, swindle, Manhattan, Ill. Hayes, Joseph F., forgery, Providence, R. I. Hess, Edward, bogus checks, Pittsburgh, Pa. Houghton, G. F. C., forgery, New York City. Hyedo, August, forged check, Omaha, Neb. Ivinson, J. H., forgery, Kansas City, Mo. Jacob, Court, forged check, Dallas, Tex. Johnson, Clark, forgery, Canton, Miss. Kain, Charles E., forgery, Millersburg, Ohio. Kain, John L., forgery, Newark, N. J. Keefe, Ned, forgery, Smethport, Pa. Keltner, Tom, forgery, Fayetteville, Tenn. Kurz, Otto, mortgage swindle, Tulsa, Okla. Le Strange, Augustus, forgery, New York, N. Y. Lewis, Herbert E., bogus checks, Washington, D. C. Lowe, Alfred, forgery, Baileyton, Tenn. McCrea, Archie E., forgery, Portland, Ore. McElroy, Lethel, forgery, Birmingham, Ala. Mannion, Robert P., Jr., forgery, San Diego, Cal. Margulies, S., forgery, Detroit, Mich. Martin, Clifford, forgery, Clarinda, Iowa. Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark. Mayes, J. S., worthless check, Daytona Beach, Fla. Metzgar, H. R., forgery, New Hartford, Ia. Meyer, J. G., bogus check, Lakewood, Ohio. Miller, George, forgery, Ithaca, N. Y. Minckler, Albert C., forgery, Hartford, Conn. Moore, Michael, forgery, New York, N. Y. Nelson, John A., forgery, New York, N. Y. Nousch, William, forgery, Chester, Pa. Powell, Sonney, forgery, Oilton, Okla. Richardson, F. L., forgery, Boston, Mass. Riche, A. L., swindle, Boston, Mass. Robinson, Jeff, forgery, Collinsville, Okla. Roeder, Albert, forgery, Boston, Mass. Rosenberg, I., forgery, Bandon, Ore. Rosene, H. W., bogus check, Ligonier, Ind. Rosenthal, Max, forgery, Miami, Fla. Rudd, Harry, forgery, Jackson, Miss. Rueben, Sol, bogus checks, San Pedro, Cal. Ryker, John Gordon, forgery, Brooklyn, N. Y. Sanders, Mrs. S. D., swindle, Baker, Ore. Scott, John, forgery, South Jacksonville, Fla. Skaggs, Charles H., swindle, Friars Point, Miss. Skillman, Harry, swindle, Silver Springs, N. Y. Smith, Charles, forgery, Chicago, Ill. Smith, Frank, swindle, Wichita, Kan. Spaulding, T. W., worthless check, Oakland, Cal. Stevens, George S., forgery, Boston, Mass. Strozier, Will, forgery, Tulsa, Okla. Stubblefield, Herman, forgery, Dallas, Tex. Templeton, Robert J., forgery, Brookville, Pa. Terry, James, forgery, Houston, Tex. Tiley, E. L., bogus check, Cincinnati, Ohio. Tisch, Beatrice, forgery, New York, N. Y. Tischler, Amelia, forgery, New York, N. Y. Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont. Troiana, Alfred, swindle, El Paso, Tex. Wardell, Dr. R. K., forgery, New York, N. Y. Williams, Albertha, forgery, Jackson, Miss. Wilson, Lloyd, swindle, Richwood, W. Va. Wilt, F., forgery, Duncan, Okla. Wise, Charles F., swindle, East Liverpool, Ohio. Wright, Will E., forgery, Houston, Tex.

### BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Ashley, John, hold up, Stuart, Fla. Berri, Jack, hold up, Neck City, Mo. Bradshaw, Jim, hold up, Vian, Okla. Carsen, Grady, hold up, Heavener, Okla. Compton, R. M., hold up, Vian, Okla. Crittenden, William, hold up, Vian, Okla. Culver, Edward, hold up, Vian, Okla. Cummings, Robert L., hold up, Depew, Okla. Dillon, C. E., hold up, Houston, Pa. Driscoll, O. W., hold up, Depew, Okla. Hembree, Fred, burglary, Andale, Kan. Johnson, Charles H., hold up, Stroud, Okla. Letterman, F. A., hold up, Red Fork, Okla. Lewis, A. E., hold up, Bingham Canyon, Utah. Payne, W. M., hold up, Vian, Okla. Schuneman, John, hold up, Red Fork, Okla. Smith, Frank, hold up, Heavener, Okla.

### CHECK MEN UNREFORMABLE

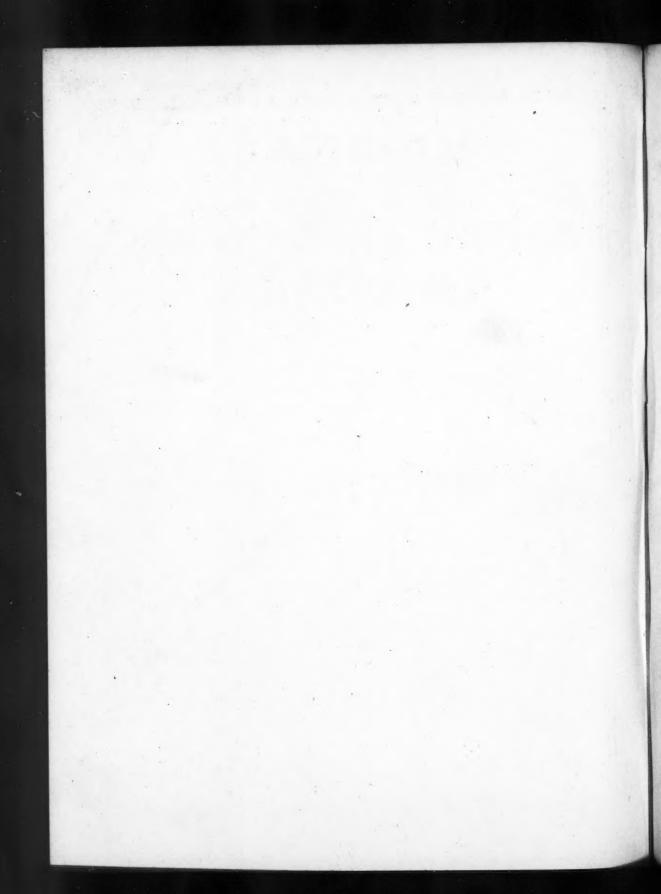
Judge in denying convicted man's plea of probation declares that of all offenders bad check men are the most stubborn to reform

Jack Mellon, who recently was convicted at Los Angeles, for passing bogus checks, appealed for probation. When the judge denied Mellon's plea he declared to the effect that in his experience on the criminal bench he had found that men guilty of forgery and bogus check passing were least amenable to the proper influence when given liberty. He stated that not 5 per cent. of that class of offenders make good. There is something attached to the crime of obtaining something for nothing that appeals to the depravity of men, and while burglars and other guilty of more heinous offenses may reform, few do so who have taken up the check game.

### STATISTICS OF PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

	Awaiting Trial, August 1, 1915.	Arrested since August 1, 1915.	Arrests in June, 1916.	Total.	Convicted.	Discharged or Acquitted.	Escaped, Insane, Fugitive or Dead.	Awaiting Trial.
Forgers	88	293	26	319	235	68	10	94
Burglars	10	3		3	8	4	1	
Hold-up								
Robbers	10	31	3	34	25	1	1	17
Sneak Thieves		4		4	3		1	
	108	331	29	360	271	73	13	111





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### OFFICES OF THE WILLIAM J. BURNS INTERNATIONAL DETECTIVE AGENCY, INC.

ALABAMA, BIRMINGHAM.—Brown-Marx Building.
CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES.—I. N. Van Nuys Building.
CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO.—First National Bank Building.
CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO.—First National Bank Building.
CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO.—First National Bank Building.
FLORIDA, JACESONVILLE.—Special Representative, C. E. Sears,
% Hotel Albert.
LILINGIS, CHICAGO.—Transportation Building.
MANTLAND, BALTIMORE.—Fidelity Building.
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Ridde Land, Providence.—Providence Journal Building.
Texas, Dallas.—Special Representative, P. R. Schumacher,
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Texas, Houston.—Beatty Building.
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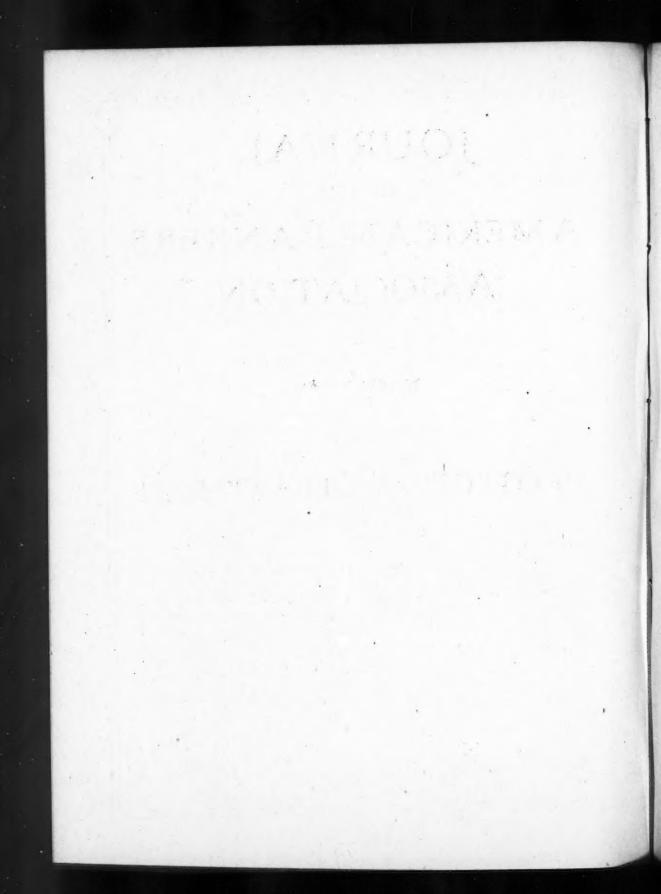
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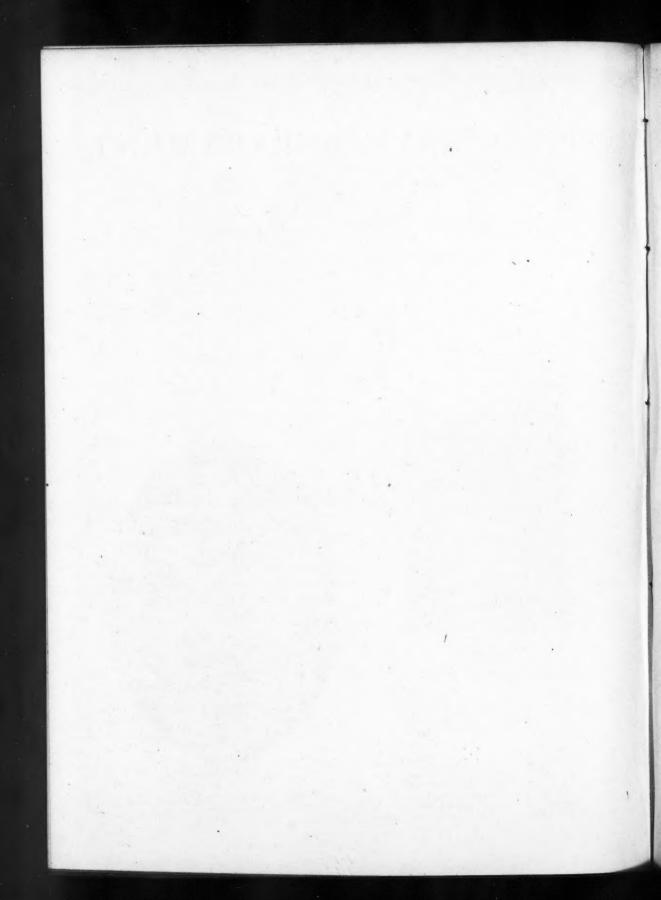


### RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action, however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offence condoned or compromised. If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined; or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon other than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective

work which has not been previously authorized.



## PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

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### JULY PROTECTIVE WORK

### MOVIE ACTOR'S BROTHER NAMED

Claiming to be a brother of J. Warren Kerrigan, famous movie actor, stranger secures cash on forged check

When a stranger stepped into a bank at Chicago, Ill., recently, presented a card reading Walter Kerrigan, Universal Studios, Universal City, Cal., and declared that he was a brother of the famous movie star J. Warren Kerrigan, the bank readily cashed the check presented. Shortly after it was learned that this check was a pure forgery and the man an impostor. He is 30 years, 5 feet 2 inches, 130 pounds; has a decided foreign accent.



HARRY E. COATES

### CLAIMS BANK CONNECTIONS

Endeavors to work upon sympathies of coast bank by a story of the theft of his purse and railroad tickets

One HARRY E. COATES on July 6 approached a banker of Sacramento, Cal., and presented his card on the lower corner of which was inscribed, "The Bonnicrest Inc., 90 Broad Street, New York City, N.Y." Coates declared that he was connected with the Irving National Bank, New York, and recited the names of several of its officers; that he was formerly employed in the correspondence department but had been delegated to manage the Bonnicrest Inc. Apartment which the bank had taken over under foreclosure proceedings;

that he was on his wedding trip and had been robbed at Reno of his wallet with railroad tickets, etc. This man is an impostor. He is in no wise connected with the Irving Bank nor with the Bonnicrest Apartment. We insert herewith a photograph of this man taken some years ago on his arrest in an eastern city charged with forgery. He is 5 feet 9 inches, 175 pounds, has light brown hair.

### WARNING

JOHN D. BALDWIN, who has used the name Burton Adams, has victimized a member at Chicago, Ill., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged his employer's signature. He is 30 years, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches, 170 to 175 pounds. He prefers to work in the automobile business.



WILFRED J. CAMPBELL

WILFRED J. CAMPBELL, alias W. J. Campbell. We are in receipt of the following letter from Cabell & Gilpin, New York, N. Y., dated July 13, 1916:

"We are informed by our client the American Universities Club of London, that one W. J. Campbell, or Wilfred J. Campbell, formerly of London, who in the fall of 1913, was honorary secretary of that club, but who has not been connected with it in that capacity for over two years, has been soliciting memberships for that club, and collecting the fees therefor, throughout the United States, particularly in and about Detroit, Buffalo and in this city. His practice is said to be to take checks made payable to the club, and after opening an account with some bank in his own name, to indorse these checks in the name of the club and deposit them to his own account with such bank. Our clients are endeavoring to put a stop to this, and also to locate Mr. Campbell with a view of taking appropriate action with respect to past transactions of this sort, which may render them liable to the club for the amount of such checks. We deem it wise to call your attention to these facts, in order that you may warn your members."

FAYETTE M. DEEDS, 20, known also as C. Buford, is alleged to have defrauded a member at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in the cashing of a check which he had raised from \$4 to \$86 and to which he forged a local party's indorsement. Our agents expect to bring about his arrest very shortly.

HUGH DRAKE. Representing himself as Hugh Drake, an individual on April 20 obtained a sum of money at El Paso, Tex., by wire from a member at Buffalo, Wyo., to which wire he forged a depositor's name.

CLARENCE EAST is wanted by a member at Nardin, Okla., on a charge of forgery. It is declared that he signed his father's name to a check which the member cashed. He is 30 years, 5 feet 9 inches, of slender build and of dark complexion.

EDWARD FOWLER is wanted by a member of San Francisco, Cal., on a charge of defrauding by forgery. He is 25 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 155 pounds; has dark hair, dark eyes.

J. M. HAGERSON, 40, a driller by profession, is wanted by a member of Augusta, Kan., on a charge of defrauding by forgery. He is 5 feet 6 inches, 170 pounds.



DANIEL F. HARRIS

DANIEL F. HARRIS on June 21 called at a San Francisco member savings bank and impersonated a depositor. whose passbook he presented. He drew out a sum of money. When the offense was brought to light and Harris grew aware of the chase, he immediately left San Francisco. It is believed he hastened to southern Claifornia. He is 20 years, 5 feet

11 inches, 145 pounds. Warrant held at San Francisco The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in this case.

JULIUS HAHN. On July 1 Julius Hahn appeared at a St. Louis, Mo., bank and asked how he might get some money, claiming that he had an account at a Benoit, Miss., bank. The teller advised him to draw on his bank, whereupon a draft for \$100 was written and signed. He did not attempt to collect, nor did he return for the money. The draft was worthless. He is 45 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds; had a closely cropped mustache.



LOUIS J. HARRIS

LOUIS J. HARRIS is wanted by a member at Pittsburg, Cal., on an attempt to defraud by forgery, and a member at San Francisco, on a charge of forgery and passing. He is known also under the names H. Jennings, T. Norton, Jean Henry De Boucherville, L. A. Harris, etc. He is 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds; of light complexion, has dark brown hair, gray eyes. The California Bankers Association is cooperating with this Association in this matter. Warrant is held at Pittsburg.

STEPHEN NELSON HINES is wanted by a member at Columbus, Neb., on a charge of forgery, committed while employed by the Nebraska Telephone Company.

H. O. JOHNSTON has defrauded a member at Kansas-City, Mo., in the cashing of a check to which he forged a depositor's signature. He is 30 years, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches, 140 to 145 pounds.

WALTER P. MATTHEW, alleged moving picture

operator, has defrauded a member at Mason City, Iowa, by bogus check. He is 25 to 30 years, 5 feet 8 inches; has brown hair and smooth shaven face.

L. P. HALL, formerly connected with the Cleveland, Ohio, Chamber of Commerce, is alleged to be drawing bogus checks against the Union National Bank, Cleveland. Hall has in his possession a letter of identification signed by a Mr. Tousley of the Chamber of Commerce which he exhibits to his intended victims. He is 50 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds.

W. B. HARRINGTON, 28, has put to loss a member at San Rafael, Cal., in the cashing of a worthless check. He is 5 feet 7 inches, 170 pounds; has the appearance of a Spaniard. He claimed to be third engineer of the S.S. Ventura.

J. B. JENKINS has put to loss a member at Jacksonville, Fla., in the cashing of a worthless check drawn on the Bank of Blackshear, Georgia. Jenkins gave his home as Lake City. Fla.

JACK OLIVER, claiming to be employed by C. E. Johnson & Son, general contractors, has passed several bogus checks in Washington.

FRANK PASCO. This man on October 11, 1915, robbed the La Jara State Bank, La Jara, Colo. He was arrested and sentenced but on June 10, 1916, broke jail at Conejos, Colo. A reward of \$125 is offered by the Conejos authorities and the bank for his capture. He is 47 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 145 pounds. He is a French-Canadian but looks like a negro.



MAJOR W. E. PRICE

MAJOR W. E. PRICE has put to loss a member at Petaluma, Cal., in the forging of a local party's name to a

note which he used as collateral. He is a member of the Fraternal Brotherhood, also member of K. of P. and I. O. O. F. lodges. He is 47 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds; has a prominent scar on chin; is hard of hearing. Police at Petaluma hold warrant for his arrest.

GERARD PETERSON. A search is being made by our agents for one Gerard Peterson who three months ago opened an account at a Bellevue, Pa., member bank and incidentally deposited four checks. Later he drew out all his funds on deposit plus the amount of the checks and left Bellevue. The checks were bogus. He is 48 years, 6 feet, of heavy build has dark brown hair, dark complexion; is smooth shaven.



JOHN R. REDMAN

JOHN R. REDMAN, operating under the name of John Horton, on June 16, defrauded a member at Tipton, Ind., in the cashing of a forged check. He also victimized a local real estate man by mortgaging a house of which he was not the owner. He is 28 years, 5 feet 7% inches, 160 pounds, has light chestnut hair.

MILTON REED is being sought by our agents on a charge of having put to loss a member at Topeka, Kan., in the cashing of two worthless drafts. Reed has done considerable insurance work. He is 50 years, 6 feet, 160 pounds; has a black mustache.

MARLOW F. REINHARDT, claiming connection with the Standard Life Insurance Co., Des Moines, Iowa, recently victimized a member at Farragut, Iowa, who placed faith in his representations and cashed a draft which was returned by this company as a forgery. He is 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 175 pounds; has a full face and dark sandy complexion. The Iowa Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in the endeavors to effect Reinhardt's apprehension.

WILLIAM H. SOCWELL, whose photograph is reproduced on page 7 of the July Supplement, has again succeeded in cashing a bogus check, this time at a Minneapolis, Minn., member bank, where he represented himself as being connected with the engineering department of a prominent railroad.

ELMA SMITH. A member at Peoria, Ill., has suffered a loss as a result of cashing a check made payable to Elma Smith, which check bore the forged signature of a depositor. The woman who received the money is 25 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds.

JOHN SMITH has swindled a member at Collyer, Kan., in raising a \$17 check to \$70 and cashing same. He was employed as farm hand at Collyer and after this incident immediately left for Kansas City; Mo. He is 66 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds; has small mustache.



#### HENRY MARTIN THORNTON

HENRY MARTIN THORNTON. The man whose photograph is herewith inserted, during the winter of 1912 and autumn of 1913, caused members throughout the east much annoyance and loss in the passing of cashiers' checks which he had printed and to which he forged the cashier's name of the particular bank his check was drawn upon. He was arrested and sentenced and his operations consequently were brought to a close. However, our agents recently recoinced word from a member in New York City that a party Thad called upon a local printer in an effort to have some «cashiers' checks printed. The printer had become suspicious -of the man and notified the bank, who termed him an impostor. "Our agents compared this party's handwriting with specimens on record and found that he is none other than Thornton. He is 43 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds; of medium build; lhas light brown hair and light blue eyes. Bertillon measuremembers: 73.3 72, 91.7 18.6 15.4 13.4 6.5 25.2 10.7 8.3 45.2

JOE WARNER, colored, is wanted by a member at Logan, W. Va., on a warrant charging forgery. It is alleged that Warner stole the passbook of a depositor, presented it at the bank and received amount on deposit. He is 25 years, 5 feet, 135 pounds. His front teeth are broken.

AUDREY WHITE, alias J. P. White, has victimized a member at Burkburnett, Tex. This bank advanced him a large sum of money on a draft drawn against the Wellington State Bank, Wellington, Tex. He claimed to be in the cattle business and stated he desired the money to cover the purchase he had made of several yearling cows. He is 24 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 155 pounds; has dark complexion, dark hair

G. W. H. WHITTAKER has victimized a member at Bakersfield, Cal., in the cashing of a forged cashier's check drawn on the Union National Bank, Purcell, Okla. He has passed these forged checks also at El Paso and San Antonio, Tex. Whittaker is 40 to 45 years, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, 140 pounds.

JACK WILLIAMS has put to loss a member of Kansas City, Mo., in the cashing of several checks to which he had forged a depositor's name. He is 25 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 140 pounds.

FRED L. WILSON, 32, is being sought by our agents at the request of an Electra, Tex., member who alleges that Wilson mortgaged them a Jones Six, five-passenger automobile and then disappeared with it. He is 32 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 145 pounds.

### GENERAL

E. L. BRONAUGH has passed a raised check at Lucas, Kan.

CLEVE J. CHRISTIAN, 33, has cashed a forged check at Paola, Kan.

LEONARD J. CLARK, railroad hand, has passed a bogus check at St. Maries, Idaho. He is believed to be working at Hillyard, Wash., and to be known also as Laverne J. Herriff, W. B. Mayo, L. J. Clark, etc.

H. J. DAVIS, alias J. H. Boice, has stolen numerous checks of a depositor of a Suffield, Conn., member bank. He has forged the depositor's signature to same and passed them out in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

W. M. FARRINGTON is now using a bogus voucher check of the American Biscuit Co., Chicago, Ill., and operating throughout the central west.

F. A. FASTER, alias J. A. Meyers, has passed bogus checks at Dallas, Tex.

ED. GORDON. A member at Casper, Wyo., has notified us of an operator who appeared in their town and approached a saloon keeper, advising the latter that he was a representative of the Swift Packing Co. and that he intended to put a branch in the town. It was Saturday afternoon and the local bank had closed so he asked the proprietor for cash on his check, drawn against the First National Bank, Chicago, Ill. The proprietor was glad to accommodate a future business man of Casper and gave him the cash. So did three other proprietors whom Gordon approached on that same afternoon. His checks were bogus. He also worked his game at Great Falls, Mont., and Minneapolis, Minn. He is 28 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds, and has used also the names C. W. Smith, A. V. Brown and C. J. Smith.

JOE GONZALEZ, Mexican, has passed forged checks at Cuba, Kan.

HERBERT HALLET, 32, has cashed a bogus check at Neosha. Mo.

JAMES B. HAWKINS has passed bogus checks at Akron, Ohio.

P. H. HAWKINS, who has used also the names H. B. Clark, H. B. Russell, and E. W. Russell, is passing bogus checks at Philadelphia, Pa., drawn on the Integrity Title Insurance Co. of that city.

H. W. HENDERSON, 24, has cashed a bogus check at Wichita, Kan.

JOHN P. HUTCHINSON has cashed a bogus check in New York City.

THE INDEPENDENT LUMBER CO. Some one has illegally secured possession of a check book of this concern which formerly did business at Fruita, Colo., and is passing throughout the west, checks to which he forges the signature of an official. The names George L. Grimes, H. P. Hames, R. C. Spencer, etc., have been given as payees.

FRED KLEIN is passing bogus checks at New Orleans, La., drawn against the U. S. Safe Deposit & Savings Bank, New Orleans.

JAMES A. LOWRIE, purporting to represent the Rogers Silverware Publicity Bureau of New York City, is drawing bogus checks against the Mercantile State Bank, Minneapolis, Minn. CHARLES F. MATTERN, 34, has passed a worthless check at San Diego, Cal. He hails from Des Moines, Iowa.

ARTHUR MYERS. The American National Bank, St. Paul, Minn., advises that an operator is drawing bogus checks against their bank bearing the forged signature of an official of the St. Paul Transfer & Storage Co. The name Arthur Myers has been used on these checks.

PETE E. NORRIS, alias J. A. Norris, is drawing bogus checks against the Huron Banking Co., Norwalk, Ohio. Parties in Wisconsin and Michigan have paid on these checks.

H. L. RALSTON is passing bogus checks drawn against Henry Clews & Co., New York, N. Y., being last reported at Pittsburgh, Pa.

PEARL RAWLINS has cashed several worthless checks at Galesburg, Kan. He also operated at Kansas City, Mo., as the owner of a threshing machine outfit.

MANUEL E. REAB has been arrested at San Francisco, Cal., charged with passing bogus checks.

T. H. RUBLE, alias J. B. Morris, alias W. D. Morris, has been arrested at Colgate, Okla., as a bogus check operator.

HENRY SIERSEMA is drawing bogus checks against the Grand Haven State Bank, Grand Haven, Mich., and cashing them throughout Michigan.

A. A. STANEART is drawing forged checks on the First National Bank and the Farmers Bank & Trust Co., Claremore, Okla.

R. C. WEAVER, 29, has been returned to Cairo, Ill., from Paducah, Ky., where he was arrested for defrauding a Cairo bank in the securing of cash by forged telegrams.

A. L. WILSON, alias J. A. Whitely, has passed a worthless draft at Lavalle, Wis.

T. HARVEY WINDSOR, washing powder salesman, has cashed a bogus check at Prairie Home, Mo.

A. WETZEL is drawing bogus checks against the Pioneer Bank of Porterville, Cal., and cashing them throughout California.

C. L. YOUNG, of the Ideal Mfg. Co. has passed a worthless check at Kansas City. Mo.

### ARRESTED

### "ENGLISH OFFICER" TAKEN

Individual who represented himself as officer in the British army is arrested for swindling bank member

On May 29 a member of Philadelphia, Pa., reported to out agents that they had been victimized in the cashing of a forged demand draft for one H. L. Herrick, who styled himself a nephew of the former governor of the state of Ohio, Myron T. Herrick. In the investigation that followed our agents traced this man through Baltimore, Md., and New York City where he had conducted a wholesale swindling tour. He represented himself as an English army agent, Captain of the Grenadier Guards, etc., and used the names Hon. Capt. S. T. Herrick, R. F. Garrett, Capt. R. Hunter, and S. Shirley. He was arrested in New York City on June 26, by our agents, on the Philadelphia member's charge. His true name is Robert William Gunther. He was born in England and came to this



ROBERT WILLIAM GUNTHER

country during March of this year. He is 29 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 147 pounds; has brown hair, light brown mustache, blue eyes. There is a very noticeable scar or birth mark on left cheek. No Bertillon measurements available.

#### ONE DAY GIVES RESULTS

Agents perform quick work in locating, arresting and assisting in prosecution of forger

On July 21. a member at Jennings, Okla., advised our detective agents that they had been put to loss by paying on checks to which the signature of a depositor had been forged. On the same day an investigation was started through which it was developed that one W. D. Noble, former husband of the depositor, was responsible for this work. Before night had fallen on the 21st our agents had arrested Noble and lodged him in the Kansas City, Mo., jail. On the very next day Noble pleaded guilty and was immediately sentenced to two years in the Missouri State Penitentiary. Our agents had spent but two half days on the case, in which time the operator was located, arrested and sentenced.

BRUNA AMATO, alias William Frank, alias Frank Alba, has been arrested by a member at Richfield Springs, N. Y., who claim that during last spring he succeeded in victimizing them in the cashing of checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature.

C. T. BERRYHILL who has put to loss a member at Reinbeck, Iowa, in raising and cashing a check, was on June 28 arrested by our agents at Odell, Ind.

ROY BRADFORD was on June 28 arrested at Kansas City, Mo., by our agents and the local authorities, on the charge of a Kansas City member that he had swindled them in the cashing of several checks to which he had forged his brother's signature.

EARL J. BROWN, alias J. G. Reed, who it is alleged, has

put to loss a member at Tulsa, Okla., in the cashing of a forged check, was recently arrested at Shreveport, La., and returned to Tulsa for prosecution.

ARTHUR DAVIS, colored, who had defrauded a member of San Francisco, Cal., by impersonating a depositor and forging his signature, was on June 17 arrested by the local police.

H. L. DOWNING. On page 5 of the July, 1916, Supplement we reported the capture of H. L. Downing, who had entered a Curwensville, Pa., bank, to perpetrate a robbery. However, we failed to include this in the statistics as an arrest of one who had successfully or unsuccessfully attempted to victimize a member of the Association.

W. E. GILBERT, who some time ago defrauded a member at Great Falls, Mont., in the cashing of a worthless draft, was, on May 9, arrested at Portland, Ore., by our sgents and returned to Great Falls, Mont., for trial.

B. P. HAYNIE was on July 12 arrested at Houston, Tex., by our agents by request of a local member whom Haynie had defrauded in the cashing of a worthless check.

J. V. HOLMES who in January, 1916, swindled a Deland, Fla., member in the cashing of several checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature was on July 12 arrested at West End, N. J., by our agents and the local authorities.

MARY JONES has been arrested at Galveston, Tex., charged with defrauding a local member by forgery. The Galveston authorities accomplished her arrest.

GEORGE LE MONT who has victimized a member at Los Angeles, Cal., in the cashing of a forged check, was on June 29 arrested by the marshal of Callup, N. Mex., upon information furnished by our agents. The California Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in this investigation.

JOSEPH MANGOLD, 42, who has represented himself as Henry D. Falk of Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne, New York City bankers, and has swindled several parties in the east through the medium of forged stock, was on June 22 arrested in Quincy, Mass., by our agents and the local police. He confessed to a criminal record dating back to 1905. He is a German by birth, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds; has a sharply pointed nose and chin.

ZORA MESSER, 27, who has swindled a member at Harvey, Ill., by forging a depositor's name to a telegram, and receiving a sum of money therefrom, was on July 2 arrested at East Hammond, Ind., by our agents and the local authorities. He was returned to Harvey.

H. L. NEEL, who while claiming to be a representative of the Moneyweight Scale Co., Chicago, Ill., defrauded a member at Braman, Okla., in the cashing of a forged draft, was on July 3 arrested at Cincinnati, Ohio, by our agents and the local police.

M. W. NICHOLS, known also as O. S. Harper, T. S. Harrison, A. Hutchins, Ben Allen, was on June 27 arrested at Denver, Colo., by our agents and the local police, for a member at Iowa City, Iowa, who notified that this man had defrauded them in cashing forged or bogus checks. He is 19 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 138½ pounds, of slender build. Bertillon measurements: 80.0 19.0 26.3 81.0 15.2 11.1 93.3 14.1 9.1 5.6 47.1. Nichols was returned to Iowa.

CHARLES OWENS, 29, alias O. T. Owens, C. W. King, A. R. Sullivan, who victimized a member at Harrisburg, Ill., in the forging of a depositor's name to several checks which he succeeded in cashing at the bank, was on July 17, arrested at Harrisburg by the local sheriff.

BERT PHILLIPS, alias Jimmie Phillips, who was recently arrested at San Diego, Cal., has been identified by our agents as the operator who in February put to loss a member at Storm Lake, Iowa, in the cashing of forged cheeks. The Iowa Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in this case.

HARRY W. ROSENE, whose photograph is reproduced on page 185 of the June, 1916, Supplement, and who in September, 1915, defrauded a member at Ligonier, Ind., by bogus check and was later arrested on this charge and released, was again arrested on June 26 by our agents at Minneapolis, Minn., for Rosene had again taken up his bogus check operations and defrauded members in Iowa and Minnesota. He is now held awaiting trial.

CHARLES SEILER, 25, was on July 6 taken into custody in New York City, N. Y., by our agents, upon request of a local bank whom Seiler had defrauded in the cashing of two checks bearing the forged signature of a depositor.

WILLIAM SETTLE and CLARENCE OSBORNE, who have defrauded a member at Pendleton, Ore. (Settle forging a depositor's name to a check which Osborne cashed at the bank), were during July, arrested at Canyon City, Ore., by our agents and the local sheriff. Written confessions stating their guilt were signed by the men. The Oregon Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in this investigation.

TONY SICILIA, 27, who has defrauded a member at Des Moines, Iowa, in the forging of a depositor's name to two checks and cashing of same, was arrested in Brooklyn, N. Y., June 30, by our agents and the local police. The Iowa Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in this case.

F. B. SPORKS, who has victimized a member at Tulsa, Okla., through the perpetration of a swindle was on July 17 arrested by our agents and the police of East Las Vegas, N. Mex.

R. E. STANFORD, who on July 7, attempted to swindle a member at Catoosa, Okla., in the securing of cash on a telegram to which the name of a bank at Philadelphia, Pa., was forged, was on this same day arrested and lodged in jail at Claremore, Okla.

ESTLINE STINNETTE who had victimized a member at Galveston, Tex., by forgery was on June 24 arrested at Galveston by our agents.

KING TERRELL. A member of Annapolis, Md., reports that on August 10, 1915, one King Terrell, an assistant paymaster in the U. S. Navy, stated a desire to borrow \$350. He was given a note and instructed to secure two indorsers of repute. Terrell returned to the bank with the note indorsed in the names of the assistant surgeon, U. S. N., and an ensign, U. S. N. As the latter were known to the bank officials and the signatures appearing upon the note were believed genuine, the bank advanced Terrill the \$350 on this seven months' note. When that number of months had elapsed it was learned that Terrell had forged the names given as indorsers. Owing to several shady transactions that Terrell had conducted while in the service he was discharged a short time before this note came due. On July 14 in New York City our agents located Terrell and turned him over to the police.

WILLIS EDGAR TURNER, alias W. B. Turner, who has swindled a member at Oatman, Ariz., in the cashing of two bogus checks, was, on June 27, arrested at San Francisco.



WILLIS EDGAR TURNER

by our agents. Turner admitted using the names Harry Devine, A. J. Adler, A. J. Glidden and H. P. Glidden, and stated that he had also operated at Oakland, Los Angeles, and San Francisco, Cal.

### CONVICTED

ROY BRADFORD, forgery, paroled as first offender.

JIM BRADSHAW, hold up, May 7, 1916, 5 years, Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

LEO BURLOW, alias August D. Weise, forgery, returned to Oregon State Training School.

R. M. COMPTON, hold up, 10 years, Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

WILLIAM C. COWAN, forgery, sentence suspended.

WILLIAM CRITTENDEN, hold up, May 10, 1916, 17 years, Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

DAN DENT, forgery, paroled.

JIM DILLON, hold up, returned to Colorado State Penitentiary to serve life term. In the July issue, "Arrested" column, we gave this man's initials as "C. E."

J. J. DYKSTRA, bogus check, 1 year and 1 day, Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

W. E. GILBERT, worthless check, May 30, 1916, 5 to 6 years, Montana State Penitentiary.

EDWARD HESS, forged checks, May 26, 1916, 1 year, Allegheny, Pa., County Workhouse.

COURT JACOB, forgery, June 20, 1916, 2 years, Texas State Penitentiary.

CHAS. E. KAIN, forged notes, June, 1916, 1 to 20 years, Ohio State Penitentiary. Later escaped.

HERBERT E. LEWIS, bogus checks, July 12, 1916, New Jersey State Reformatory.

CLIFFORD MARTIN, forgeries, 10 years, penitentiary at Anamosa, Iowa.

ALBERT C. MINCKLER, forgery, June 26, 1916, 2 to 3 years, Connecticut State Penitentiary.

W. D. NOBLE, forgery, July 22, 1916, 2 years, Missouri State Penitentiary.

FRANK SMITH, worthless checks, paroled; has violated same.

HERMAN STUBBLEFIELD, alias James Davis, forgery, 3 years, Texas State Penitentiary.

ROBERT J. TEMPLETON, forgery, May 3, 1916, 3 months, Workhouse, Brookville, Pa.

CHARLES F. WISE, alias Solon Zentz, forgery, indeterminate term, Ohio State Penitentiary.

### RELEASED

ROBERT L. CUMMINGS, hold up, released.

O. W. DRISCOLL, hold up, dismissed.

HENRY GEYER, forged checks, released on petition.

ROBERT WILLIAM GUNTHER, forged demand draft, released.

FRED HEMBREE, attempted burglary, April 20, 1916, acquitted.

JOHN L. KANE, forgery, no prosecution.

ARCHIE E. McCREA, alleged raised check, released; no true bill.

GEORGE LE MONT, forgery, released; authorities refused to stand expense of extradition.

ROBERT P. MANNION, Jr., raised check, released; authorities refused to extradite.

H. W. ROSENE, bogus check, released; see arrested column this issue.

TONY SICILIA, forgery, released; bank permitted compromise.

KING TERRELL, forged indorsements, released; prosecution dropped.

BEATRICE TISCH, forgery, released.

AMELIA TISCHLER, forgery, released.

### INSANE

GEORGE W. BETTS, swindle, judged insane; placed in State Hospital, Vinita, Okla.

### FUGITIVE

J. A. IVINSON, alias O. M. Bronson, alias E. L. Meeks, forgery, jumped his bond.

LLOYD WILSON, swindle, escaped.

### AWAITING ACTION

#### ALLEGED FORGERS AND SWINDLERS

Amato, Bruna, forgery, Richfield Springs, N. Y. Andrews, Bob, swindle, Ramseur, N. C. Bennett, F. S., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla. Berryhill, C. T., raised check, Reinbeck, Iowa. Bishop, James G., forgery, New Haven, Conn. Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass. Boykin, Gray, raised check, Palestine, Tex. Brant, George T., forgery, Portland, Ore. Brown, Earl J., forgery, Tulsa, Okla. Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal. Burt, Mrs. Kate, forgery, Juneau, Alaska. Busby, Joe, mortgage swindle, Claremore, Okla. Butts, D. W., forgery, Van Nuys, Cal. Calleris, John, swindle, Lexington, Ky. Cameron, Earl L., forgery, Goldendale, Wash. Clark, W. E., forgery, Kansas City, Mo. Coleman, Daniel, worthless check, Los Gatos, Cal. Coleman, Russell J., forgery, Atchison, Kan. Cox, Lucile, forgery, Fort Worth, Tex. Cragin, George H., forgery, Boston, Mass. Davis, Arthur, forgery, San Francisco, Cal. Davis, Everett J., forgery, Watertown, N. Y. Dillon, C. E., bogus checks, Tyler, Minn. Dingfelder, Christ, forgery, Detroit, Mich. Dodson, C. L., forgery, Boston, Mass. Fox, Harry, bogus check, Lynchburg, Va. Genebis, Frank, bogus checks, San Pedro, Cal. Gray, Sandy, forgery, Forest City, N. C. Green, Max, swindle, Manhattan, Ill. Hayes, Joseph F., forgery, Providence, R. I. Haynie, B. P., worthless check, Houston, Tex. Holmes, J. V., forgery, Deland, Fla. Houghton, G. F. C., forgery, New York City. Hyedo, August, forged check, Omaha, Neb. Johnson, Clark, forgery, Canton, Miss. Jones, Mary, forgery, Galveston, Tex. Keefe, Ned, forgery, Smethport, Pa. Keltner, Tom, forgery, Fayetteville, Tenn. Kurz, Otto, mortgage swindle, Tulsa, Okla. Le Strange, Augustus, forgery, New York, N. Y. Lowe, Alfred, forgery, Baileyton, Tenn. McElroy, Lethel, forgery, Birmingham, Ala. Mangold, Joseph, forged stock, New York, N. Y. Margulies, S., forgery, Detroit, Mich. Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark. Mayes, J. S., worthless check, Daytona Beach, Fla. Messer, Zora, forgery, Harvey, Ill. Metzgar, H. R., forgery, New Hartford, Ia. Meyer, J. G., bogus check, Lakewood, Ohio. Miller, George, forgery, Ithaca, N. Y. Moore, Michael, forgery, New York, N. Y. Neel, H. L., forgery, Braman, Okla. Nelson, John A., forgery, New York, N. Y. Nichols, M. W., forgery, Iowa City, Iowa. Nousch, William, forgery, Chester, Pa. Osborne, Clarence, forgery, Pendleton, Ore. \* Owens, Charles, forgery, Harrisburg, Ill. Phillips, Bert, forgery, Storm Lake, Iowa. Powell, Sonney, forgery, Oilton, Okla. Richardson, F. L., forgery, Boston, Mass.

Riche, A. L., swindle, Boston, Mass. Robinson, Jeff, forgery, Collinsville, Okla. Roeder, Albert, forgery, Boston, Mass. Rosenberg, I., forgery, Bandon, Ore. Rosene, Harry W., bogus check, Ligonier, Ind. Rosenthal, Max, forgery, Miami, Fla. Rudd, Harry, forgery, Jackson, Miss. Rueben, Sol, bogus checks, San Pedro, Cal. Ryker, John Gordon, forgery, Brooklyn, N. Y. Sanders, Mrs. S. D., swindle, Baker, Ore. Scott, John, forgery, South Jacksonville, Fla. Seiler, Charles, forgery, New York, N. Y. Settle, William, forgery, Pendleton, Ore. Skaggs, Charles H., swindle, Friars Point, Miss. Skillman, Harry, swindle, Silver Springs, N. Y. Smith, Charles, forgery, Chicago, Ill. Spaulding, T. W., worthless check, Oakland, Cal. Sporks, F. B., swindle, Tulsa, Okla. Stanford, R. E., forgery, Catoosa, Okla. Stevens, George S., forgery, Boston, Mass. Stinnette, Estline, forgery, Galveston, Tex. Strozier, Will, forgery, Tulsa, Okla. Terry, James, forgery, Houston, Tex. Tiley, E. L., bogus check, Cincinnati, Ohio. Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont. Troiana, Alfred, swindle, El Paso, Tex. Turner, Willis Edgar, bogus checks, Oatman, Ariz. Wardell, Dr. R. K., forgery, New York, N. Y. Williams, Albertha, forgery, Jackson, Miss. Wilt, F., forgery, Duncan, Okla. Wright, Will E., forgery, Houston, Tex.

### BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Ashley, John, hold up, Stuart, Fla.
Berri, Jack, hold up, Neck City, Mo.
Carsen, Grady, hold up, Heavener, Okla.
Culver, Edward, hold up, Vian, Okla.
Downing, H. L., attempted robbery, Curwensville, Pa.
Johnson, Charles H., hold up, Stroud, Okla.
Letterman, F. A., hold up, Red Fork, Okla.
Lewis, A. E., hold up, Bingham Canyon, Utah.
Payne, W. M., hold up, Vian, Okla.
Schuneman, John, hold up, Red Fork, Okla.
Smith, Frank, hold up, Heavener, Okla.

#### STATISTICS OF PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

	Awaiting Trial, August 1, 1915.	Arrested since August 1, 1915.	Arrests in July, 1916.	Total.	Convicted.	Discharged or Acquitted.	Escaped; Insane, Fugitive or Dead.	Awaiting Trial.
Forgers	88	319	28	347	252	79	13	91
Burglars	10	. 3		3	8	4	1	
Hold-up		- 1						
Robbers	10	34	1	35	29	4	1	11
Sneak Thieves		4		4	3		1	
	108	360	29	389	292	87	16	102

### STOLEN CHECKS

The Lyons Exchange Bank, Lyons, Kan., under date of July 15 advised our agents as follows:

"We beg to report that last night the office of N. Sauer Milling Co., branch at Pollard, Kan., was entered and the regular printed grain paying checks stolen, bearing numbers 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234. These checks bear the printed name of N. Sauer Milling Co. and should bear signature under the firm name, which is printed, "By A. J. Rankin, Manager." There was also stolen the facsimile signature of A. J. Rankin and some regular blank checks

that were in the office. All checks are printed as drawn on the Lyons Exchange Bank, Lyons, Kan. One of these checks No. 231, has shown up and has been proven a forgery. Check was made out to A. J. Miller and was paid to a man making such an indorsement. He is described as a man of from 50 to 60 years old, about 6 feet tall, smooth face, but needed a shave, wore at time rather common clothes, evidently posing as a busy farmer. Warn all banks against these checks and should one of them be presented, have party arrested and held, wiring at once to P. A. Dickerson, Sheriff, Lyons, Kan."

### HANDWRITING RESPONSIBLE FOR SWINDLERS' DOWNFALL

Two-thirds of all identifications of bank offenders made by the Protective Department and its detective agents are based upon handwriting. This statement is made regardless of the fact that the Bertillon system of identification, the most complete card index of bank operators in the country, and a thorough method of criminal photograph classification are in active operation in the department.

A bank in the west notifies the department that they have been swindled. They state that one John Brown, whom they cannot describe, gained their confidence with a story that he intended to open a local factory and that they cashed his bogus check on an eastern bank. They forward the check for inspection. An immediate investigation follows, but John Brown has gained a week's start on his pursuers and the efforts to locate him are rendered fruitless.

A month later an eastern bank advises the department that they have sworn to a warrant for the arrest of one Phillip Jones, who approached them with the story of his being a traveling salesman for an advertising house in the west, subsequently tendering a check on a western bank which he declared had been forwarded to him to cover his expenses. They cashed the check and it was returned as bogus. The victimized bank mails the check with their letter declaring that Jones was an entire stranger and that they cannot give the slightest description of him.

Now these two operations were reported by banks hundreds of miles apart; the pretext of John Brown varied from that of Philliy Jones; their checks were drawn on different banks; it was impossible to tell how the description of Brown compared with that of Jones because neither bank could furnish that particular information. Though handicapped by all these conflicting facts, within an hour after receipt of the second bank's letter the department was thoroughly satisfied that John Brown and Phillip Jones were one and the same man. His handwriting alone was the ground upon which the identification was based.

Try as hard as he might to elude pursuit, by traveling hundreds of miles between his operating points, by using different names and checks and pretexts, and even changing his writing on the checks from a forehand to a backhand style, yet unconsiously he left sufficient evidence on which to base an identification. After a systematic search through the handwriting records (the department pastes in loose leaf binders on individual and numbered pages every specimen of operators' penmanship that it is possible to secure) the two bogus checks were brought together for comparison. As stated, the styles of the writing varied, but little did this matter when it was considered that on both checks the writer

bore so heavily on all his downstrckes and so faintly on his upstrokes; that he used a print style for all his capital letters and followed the rest of the word in script; that he made the former extremely large and the latter disproportionately small; that he used small crosses (xx/lxx) instead of oughts (00/100); that he drew a single vertical stroke in the dollar sign instead of two strokes; that he drew a bold horizontal line under the signature and broke it at the center with two small dashes, etc. Resourceful and clever as he was, he had virtually written across the face of those checks, "I am John Brown, alias Phillip Jones." It has been stated by the best authority on crime that the guilty criminal cannot but leave a trail. This is another proof of this assertion.

We went still further into our records and after a perusal of all operators' handwriting received within the year previous we came across another of this man's checks, bearing those same characteristics. It developed that this latter check had been forwarded to us along with the photograph of the operator, under another alias, by the police of a city in the south. We immediately mailed copies of the photograph to the bank in the east and to the one in the west and shortly thereafter received word from each, "This is absolutely a picture of John Brown," and, "This is positively a photo of our friend Phillip Jones." With this man's photograph in our possession we were soon able to bring about his apprehension, and two cases that had given promise of remaining ever unsolved were brought to a successful close. Handwriting alone was responsible for the results obtained.

There may not be many cases on record wherein it can be shown that handwriting alone was the ground upon which a conviction was based, but this is no indication of the field that this medium has covered in exposing those who employ the pen to promote their unlawful ambitions.

Isaac Raines, passer of bogus checks, who traveled from state to state for a number of years and whom our agents arrested in New York City some months ago, upon being brought to their office and a complete list of his operations exhibited to him, was so startled to know that he had been identified rightfully in so many deals, that he banished then and there all hopes of fighting his case and made an immediate and thorough confession. Little did Raines know that it was purely because of the penmanship that appeared upon his checks that he had been recognized in each of his swindles.

More than a year ago a representative of our agents while in the city of Columbus, Ohio, was requested by the local police authorities to proceed to the jail and interview an individual whom they had arrested for cashing a forged

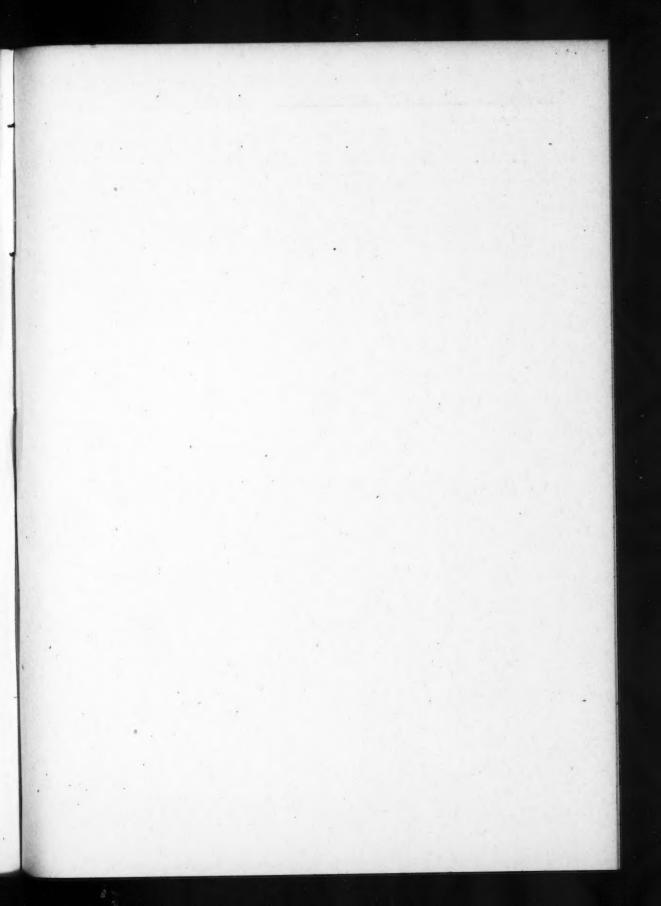
certified check at one of their hotels. The police confessed that they had grilled the prisoner since the day of his arrest, but had been unable to get the slightest word from him as to his actions before he had come to Columbus. He declared persistently that he had never before passed similar checks and that this was the first time he had ever been arrested. Though the police were not satisfied with his statements they had to give up their endeavors. The Burns representative interveiwed the prisoner, but he too was unable to recognize the man or get him to speak. The detective left the jail after securing a specimen of the silent captive's handwriting and returned to his office. The writing was exhibited for possible identification, when the clerk in charge of the handwriting records immediately announced, "Why, that's the penmanship of Frank C. English, alias John Wilkins, forged certified check swindler wanted by several member banks and numerous hotels." Photographs of the man were forwarded to the alleged victims, who instantly recognized the pictures as of the swindler who had defrauded them. It followed that when English was released at Columbus, instead

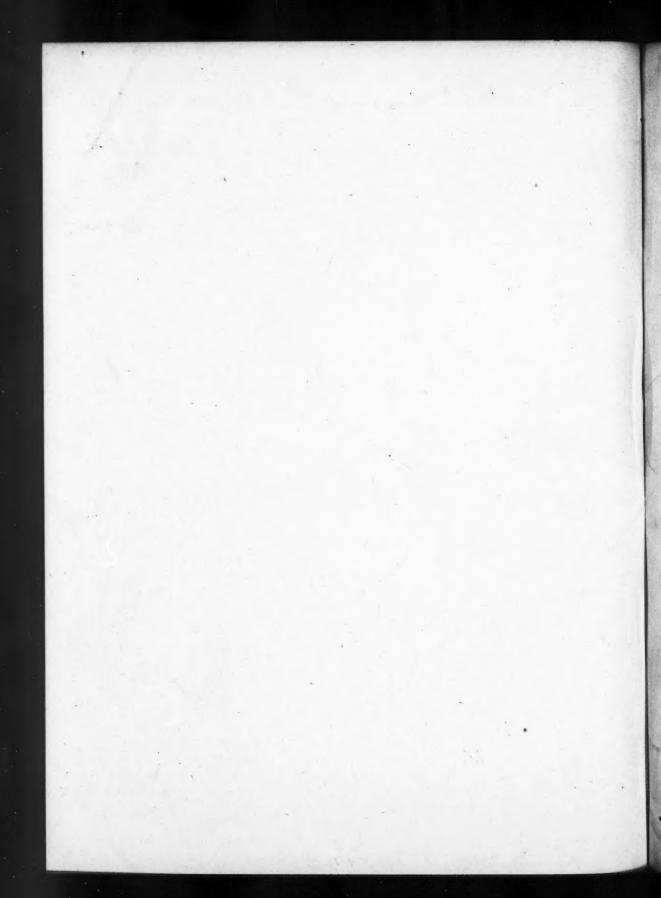
of becoming a free man he was rearrested by an officer of another state and returned to satisfy a member's charge. Again handwriting was the medium responsible for the good results accomplished. We could cite many hundreds of similar instances.

It may be asked why it is that these clever swindlers did not hide the identity apparent in their handwriting as they did their footsteps from pursuers. A number of these operators may not have credited the writing appearing on their checks with such identification possibilities. The others,—Check number one would be written in a forehand style; check number two with a backhand movement of the pen; the third check, say in a perpendicular presentment; now how might they write number four? Must it not be in one of the forms mentioned? And those characteristics that a hand unconsciously shapes with a pen, even though an attempt is made to disguise the writing, cannot be lost.

The pen that has so faithfully served many a swindler in guiding him to unearned riches has often proved itself the one instrument responsible for his punishment.







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### RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action, however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offence condoned or compromised. If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined; or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon other than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

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### AUGUST PROTECTIVE WORK

### NEW YORK BANKS WARNED

Checks with typewritten notation on bank purporting to be signed by a depositor may be work of thieves

Letter-box thieves are again becoming active in New York City." This is how they work: One member of the gang robs mail from the letter-boxes and obtains thereby perfectly good checks. He turns these checks over to the penman, who takes a blank check of another bank, makes it payable to "John Smith" for \$200 or more, signs it "John Doe," and has it indorsed "John Smith." Then under this indorsement he will write the following, or words to that effect (either on typewriter or by hand) addressing it to the bank on which the original check which was taken from the mails was drawn: "Gentlemen: Kindly cash this check (\$260.50) for Mr. Smith, the bearer, and oblige, yours truly." Then he will skilfully copy the signature of the depositor beneath these words and shortly thereafter the check will be presented for payment by "John Smith."

If in doubt about any check presented it would be best to have this notation verified by your depositor. If the man at your window should make an attempt to get away do all in your power to capture him. Notify our agents promptly if your bank is approached by these swindlers.

### MANUFACTURES WHITE OF EGG

Individual who advertised for partner in great manufacture scheme, forges latter's check and flees town

A member at Philadelphia, has fallen victim in the amount of \$600 as result of a cleverly planned swindle perpetrated by one W. J. Douglas. The facts are as follows: Recently an advertisement appeared in a Philadelphia newspaper in which the advertiser called for a partner with \$700 capital. A depositor of a Philadelphia member bank answered this ad and as a result met one W. J. Douglas who laid before him a proposition whereby he could make enormous profits in the manufacture of a substitute for the white of egg. The depositor was impressed. They rented a store. Douglas had previously opened an account in a local bank with \$250 in cash and had formed an intimate acquaintance with the bank people. Consequently when he brought his new partner into that bank, the latter was led to believe that Douglas was very well known and respected. The partner opened his account in his own name. Preparations were started for the opening of the factory and everything appeared running smoothly until Douglas was suddenly lost sight of. The partner suspected that something was wrong at the bank and immediately went there. He examined all checks paid and found one among them for \$600 which had been paid out to Douglas and to which the partner's name was forged. Previous to cashing this check Douglas had practically drawn out all his money on deposit. A search failed to uncover Douglas's trail. The bank was victimized in this amount. This same swindler operated several years ago at Brooklyn, N. Y., under the name W. J. Rollonds. He is 50 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 175 pounds; has gray hair and is smooth shaven. When opening his account this man exhibited a letter of recommendation signed by the manager of a hotel and stated that at one time he was chef or head baker. A warrant is held for his arrest at Philadelphia.

M.J. Douglas

CHECK KITING IN SOUTH

Swindler collects \$1,800 from Alabama banks after extensive planning

Two banks at Birmingham, Ala., are the victims of a shrewd check kiter. Their losses amount to \$900 each. During June one M. A. Caroll, having in his possession a large roll of bills, came into bank number one, took \$600 from the roll, which he placed on deposit. Caroll claimed to be a cement construction contractor and gave a local address as his place of business. Two days later Caroll (as John Bordon) appeared at bank number two and parted with \$900 in the opening of an account. On the day following this incident Caroll deposited still another \$600 in bank number three. Each accounted became immediately active. Transactions at bank number three amounted in the aggregate to \$5,900, until recently, before the closing hour on a Saturday, John Bordon's check on bank number three, payable to M. A. Caroll for \$1,100 was paid without question at bank number one, while bank number two on this same day paid to Caroll \$1,000 on his check against bank number three. When the matter was checked up, bank number three held \$5 to the credit of John Bordon, while the two other banks found themselves short \$900 each. Caroll, alias Bordon, is 40 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 125 pounds, of medium build, sallow complexion, blue eyes and light hair. Undoubtedly an Americanized foreigner.

M.a. baroll

### FORGER ON PACIFIC COAST

Individual who presents forged letter of identification of southern bank; also bank book with cancelled checks, has secured many victims

There is operating today on the Pacific Coast a forger who has victimized many banks. He has used the names Charles E. Munson and John W. Pearce and claims to be in the real estate or contracting business. This man will enter your bank and present a draft by the Commercial National Bank, El Paso, Tex., on the Hanover National Bank, New York, or a draft by the Winfield National Bank, Winfield, Kan., on the National Bank of Commerce, New York. He will exhibit a letter purporting to be signed by the cashier of either of these southern banks, which states that Munson or Pearce has been a customer of their bank and that any drafts or checks he wishes cashed should be honored. He will also uncover for your inspection an identification card and a bank book with numerous cancelled checks. His drafts and letters are pure forgeries. This man speaks with a southern accent and has a "speedy" appearance. Is 45 to 50 years, 5 feet 7 inches. 150 pounds, of medium build; has dark hair and complexion,

John W. Pearce

### ELDERLY WOMAN PERPETRATES FRAUD

Victimizes New Hampshire bank after working-up a strong confidence in its officials

MRS. MARY McNEIL, 55 to 60 years of age, has victimized a member bank of Berlin, N. H. On July 10 she came into the bank and made inquiry as to whether money had been forwarded to her by the postmaster of St. John, N. B., to be placed to her credit. Upon receiving a reply in the negative, she expressed surprise and went on to state that she was a former resident of St. John, N. B., and had just come from that city, with a view of locating in Berlin or the immediate vicinity: that she was desirous of entering the restaurant or hotel business at which trade she had had considerable experience: she stated that she was stopping at the New Revere House, with her daughter, and that she expected her two sons. Between the 10th and 20th of July she made almost daily calls at the bank each time making inquiry as to the expected arrival of the money from St. John. She seemed greatly disturbed over the fact of its non-arrival and declared that she found it necessary to accept the offers of kind friends about town. On this date she asked the cashier if he would take ber note for a stated amount. The cashier learned that she was stopping at the New Revere House and was well thought of there. He thereupon cashed her note. This was the last the cashier has seen of her. She evidently immediately left Berlin. This woman is 5 feet 6 inches, 140 to 150 pounds, of

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healthy complexion; with dark hair showing some gray; has a prominent nose and chin and a small mouth which she puckered while talking which had a tendency to produce a lisp. Our agents are conducting a search for this woman.

### WARNING

J. O. BAKER, 30, claiming to be a representative of the Charlotte Observer is drawing drafts against P. H. Gambrell, Charlotte, N. C., connected with the Observer which are worthless. He recently operated at Maxton, N. C., and defrauded a local member. He is supposed to reside at Bowling Green,

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F. A. BLOCK, a traveling jewelry salesman, is wanted by the Joliet State Bank, Joliet, Mont., for reasons as follows: During last winter he located at Joliet for a period of five months and then left. This bank had been in possession of a small stock of jewelry which they had to take over in a debt and he induced the bank to let him have the same and he would sell it for the bank and send back the money as he sold the jewelry. To date he has returned but \$10. He was last heard of at Lovell, Wyo. This bank will appreciate it if they are advised of the present whereabouts of Block.

EUGENE BOWEN: 'A member at Hammond, Ind., has suffered a loss as a result of passing on a check cashed by one Eugene Bowen at Chicago, Ill., to which the name of a depositor was forged. The man also drew a bogus draft in a large amount against the Hammond member which he left at a bank in Chicago for collection and against which he succeeded in getting an advance of several dollars. He has used the name of M. E. Bowen and Lawrence Long. He is 48 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds, of slender build, has brown eyes and hair, sallow complexion; is smooth shaven.

Eugene Bowen

O. K. BRIGHT, of Chocowinity, N. C., and J. P. Roper, of Edwards, N. C., are one and the same individual. He has succeeded in defrauding a member at Washington, N. C., in securing funds on a note to which he had forged the signature of a responsible local party. He also endeavored to victimize another Washington bank by this method but the bank observed the forgery and Bright, as he rushed away, realized that he was not too bright for them. He is 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 145 pounds, smooth shaven; he is a little hard of hearing.

PAUL BURNETT is wanted by the police of Hopewell, Va., on a local member's charge of forgery. It is believed that Burnett has gone to Georgia or South Carolina. He is 25 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 130 pounds, has light hair; wore gray clothes, and cap. He is likely to be accompanied by his wife, Inez Burnett.

DR. H. J. DORST, on July 31 victimized a member at Patoka, Ill., by having them cash for him a bogus check drawn on the Marion Bank, Marion, Ky. This man is a native of Eureka, Ill., and has just been released from the Texas State Penitentiary. He has represented himself as a doctor, making a specialty of attending to club feet and deformed limbs. He is known also as Dr. H. A. Dorst, J. Simons, W. S. Lang, etc., his operations having been previously reported in these columns, February, 1915, page 587, being the last note. He is 38 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 155 pounds, has a decided limp in the right leg.

J. P. DUKE is wanted by a member at Monett, Mo., on a charge of having forged a depositor's name to two checks which the bank cashed. He is 35 to 40 years, 6 feet, of slim build; has long thin face and nose; dresses neatly and has a gold tooth in front.

L. H. EMAERY. A member at Hartford, Kan., has been put to loss by cashing a bogus check for an individual known to them as "Emaery." The check was drawn on the First National Bank, Lawrenceville, Ill., and signed Henderson & Southern, by Emaery. He claimed to be in the employ of an oil company and had come to Hartford for the purpose of buying leases with intention of drilling. He is 45 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds, is blind in the right eye; wears glasses, talks in a high pitched voice.

R. C. GRAY. Our attention has been called to one R. C. Gray who has recently been operating against Canadian banks by opening small accounts and when an acquaintanceship is established, depositing forged checks in large amounts and drawing against them. Draft No. XB 742162, drawn by Thos. Cook & Son, Montreal, dated August 7, for \$5,950 to this man's order is in his possession having been obtained by fraud. Payment on same has been stopped and members are warned against cashing it. The police of Toronto hold a warrant for his arrest. He is 35 years, 5 feet 11 inches, of slim build; has long thin face, medium brown hair.

RAYMOND P. HATCH is wanted by a member of Providence, R. I., for implication in the defrauding of the



RAYMOND P. HATCH.

bank by bogus checks. A warrant is held at Providence for his arrest. He is 19 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 130 pounds, of slim build, dorid complexion; has light hair and blue eyes. He has also drawn a bogus check against this bank, upon which a local merchant will suffer a loss.

F. W. HAMILTON, steeple jack, is alleged to have victimized a member of St. Joseph, Mo., in cashing a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature. He is 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 165 pounds, of dark complexion, stocky build; has dark brown hair, smooth shaven face.

W. B. HARRINGTON recently defrauded a member at San Rafael, Cal., by passing a worthless check on them, drawn on the Crocker National Bank of San Francisco and signed J. B. Henderson. This party was introduced and identified and on the strength of the identification his check was cashed. He is 28 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 170 pounds, of heavy build, The California Bankers' Association is co-operating with this Association in this case.



L. H. LE CLAIRE

W. H. HENNIGAN, L. H. LE CLAIRE, and E. J. GREEN, are being sought by our agents for a member at Rosenberg, Tex., who alleges that these men defrauded their bank in mortgaging property not their own. Hennigan is German, 27 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 165 pounds. Le Claire is French, 35 years, 5 feet 6½ inches, 135 pounds, of slender build. Green is an American, 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 170 pounds.

JOHN HOWARD, alias Howard Spencer, alias James Hammond, alias Arthur Nelson, alias August Hanson, operated on five member banks in Spokane, Wash., recently, by means of form lithographed checks of the Pine Creek Dairy Co., of Spokane, purporting to be signed by the president of the company, W. C. Sohns. In each instance this man visited the banks between 6 and 8 p. M. on Saturday, July 29, presented a check for \$37.25, opening a savings account for \$7 and received the balance of \$30.25 in cash. He is 22 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 145 pounds, of slender build; has thin, pointed chin, large mouth, irregular teeth.

E. M. JORDAN has put to loss a member at McPherson, Kan., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature.

A. F. LAWRENCE, tool dresser, is alleged to have stolen a pay check to which he forged the payee's indorsement and cashed the check at a member bank of Drumright, Okla. The bank must suffer the loss. Lawrence is 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds, of slender build; has dark hair and is well tanned.

C. E. LEIGH, negro, has put to loss a member at Corinth, Miss., in the passing of a bogus check on the First National Bank, Wellston, Mo. He is believed to have gone to Cleveland, Ohio. He is 40 years, 6 feet; has a long mustache and dresses well.

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C. MALVERN, alias Charles Des Moines, has put to loss a member of St. Joseph, Mo., in cashing a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature. Malvern, who frequented local gambling houses, was at one time sent by this depositor to a hotel to cash a check. He used the check as a sample for the forgery. The police at St. Joseph hold warrant for Malvern's arrest. He is 30 to 33 years, 5 feet 7 to 10 inches, 130 pounds; has dark complexion and hair.

C. F. MEYERS. A grain and supply company's office at St. John, Kan., was broken into on the night of August 4, and several blank checks taken. One of these checks was presented to a St. John bank bearing forged signature of the company, by a man who gave his name as C. F. Meyers. He is 45 to 50 years, 5 feet 10 inches, went unshaven and wore rough clothes.

CHARLES MILLER, 30, has defrauded a member at Sykeston, N. D., by forging a former employer's signature to a check which the bank cashed. He is 5 feet 8 inches, of stocky build, has thin dark hair, thin, smooth shaven face. Bears a sear on one side of his head.



JOHN PRITCHETT

JOHN PRITCHETT, alias Bob Pritchett, alias John Prichett, is wanted by a member of Bixby, Okla., on a charge of selling goods on which the bank held a mortgage. He left Bixby accompanied by his sister-in-law, who is shown in the photograph. Pritchett is 48 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 165 pounds, of slender build; has dark brown hair and eyes.

JOHN W. PIERCE, who while employed at Wichita Falls, Tex., as a detective for a local railroad and later as a brakeman for the same railroad, succeeded in defrauding a Wichita Falls bank when he had them cash for him a check to which he had forged the signature of a local concern. A warrant, is held by the sheriff at Wichita Falls for the arrest of Pierce. This man is 25 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 155 pounds, of slender build; has brown eyes and hair; is smooth shaven.

J. C. RANDALL, carpenter, has cashed a check at Scattle, Wash., to which he forged the signature of a former employer who banks with a local member. The forgery was not detected and consequently paid by the bank. They are the victim. Randall is 40 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 145 pounds, of dark complexion and hair; has deep-set eyes and a smooth shaven face.

HARRY SAMUELSON is wanted by a member at Seattle, Wash., on a charge of defrauding their bank in the cashing of several checks to which he had forged his brother's signature, the latter being a depositor in the bank. He is 24 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds; has brown hair and dark eyes; dresses as a mechanic.



JOHN M. SCHINDLER

JOHN M. SCHINDLER has victimized a member bank at Satanta, Kan., in mortgaging property not his own. He is a deserter of the U.S. Army and has served time in the Hutchinson, Kan., Reformatory for theft. Schindler is 27 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 to 160 pounds, of light complexion has light hair and sandy mustache.

WILLIAM SEYMOUR, who has used also the names W. G. Moore, A. Blaine, C. W. Danforth, C. Swain and F. G. Moore, has defrauded a member at Salt Lake City, Utah in cashing two checks to which he had forged the signature of a depositor. This man has recently been released from the Utah State Prison. He is 50 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 165 pounds; has dark hair streaked with gray. dark mustache, protruding teeth; is stoop shouldered.

E. E. SEAMAN, known also as A. A. Chapman, J. B. Ellis, etc., who formerly was in the jewelry business in Odessa, Mo., and later became traveling salesman for the Niagara Ring Co., Kansas City, Mo., has put to loss a member at Macon, Mo., in eashing a bogus check drawn against the Rock County National Bank, Janesville, Wis. He has operated also at Terre Haute, Ind., Effingham and Paris, Ill., and Manistee, Mich. He is 5 feet 6 inches, very delicate but good looking; has dark hair, brown eyes.

E.E. Seamon

H. A. SHAPIRO is wanted on a warrant held by the police of Bridgeport, Conn., charging forgery. He has defrauded a member of Bridgeport and another in New York City by inscribing depositor's signatures to checks which passed undetected through the bank's hands. He is 23 years, 6 feet, 160 pounds; has black hair and eyes; wears glasses; his eyes squint and are very weak.

W. C. SHUMAN, who has put to loss a member at McKees Rocks, Pa., by cashing a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature, is now sought by our agents. Shuman is 36 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds, of slender build; has sandy hair and small light mustache.



R. W. STEEL.

R. W. STEEL is wanted by a member at Los Angeles, Cal., who declares that he victimized them in the cashing of several checks bearing forged indorsements. He is 26 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds; has dark hair and complexion., A warrant is held at Los Angeles for his arrest. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in this matter.

J. G. WARFIELD, while employed at Okmulgee, Okla., as an agent for the Great Southern Life Insurance Co., defrauded a local member by having them cash for him two bogus drafts on the general agent of this company at Tulsa, Okla. He is 45 years, 5 feet 10 inches, of slender build, has dark hair streaked with gray; has a southern drawl. Is a good insurance solicitor.

J. G. Warfired

JAMES WELLMAN, who while employed by a window cleaning establishment in St. Jospeh, Mo., is alleged to have stolen a check from his employer to which he forged the latter's signature, is now wanted by a local menber on a charge of defrauding by passing a forged check. Wellman is 38 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 145 pounds, of slender build; has dark brown hair and brown eyes. Has several tattoo marks on each arm.

TYLOR WILLIAMS, 30, is sought by our agent in behalf of a Sioux City, Iowa, member who alleges that Williams has defrauded them by cashing a forged check. He is about 6 feet, 180 pounds, of medium build. The Iowa Bankers Association has co-operated with this Association in the endeavor to secure this man's apprehension.

C. F. YOUNG. At Tomah, Wis., there was recently passed by one C. F. Young, a check of the Langslow-Fowler Co., 608 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., to the Fort Dearborn National Bank of Chicago, purporting to be signed by C. E. Gibson, Mgr., and countersigned by B. A. Fowler, Treas. The Chicago bank declares that this company has been out of business for two years past and that the check is a reprint. The victimized hotel describes Young as 35 to 40 years of, age, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds.

C.F. Young

#### **GENERAL**

L. E. BARFIELD: F. W. Moody, depositor in the Citizens Bank, Thatcher, Ariz., has reported that several blank checks have been stolen from his check book. One of these checks bearing forged signature of Moody and payable to L. E. Barfield has been returned by the bank.

THOMAS W. BRASELMAN is cashing bogus checks as Philadelphis, Pa., and vicinity. He has drawn these checkt against the First National Bank, and the National Bank of Germantown, Philadelphia.

EUGENE BRESSLER, alias V. D. Price, on August 10, was arrested at Clinton, Ohio, on a charge of swindling by bogus checks. This man had also attempted to defraud a member at Cleveland, Ohio, by endeavoring to secure cash upon a bogus check which he had left for collection. However, there is no case against him as far as the bank is concerned.

R. W. BROWNE, claiming to be employed by the International Harvester Co., recently operated at Harrison, Ark., with bogus check drawn against the Southern Trust Co., Little Rock, Ark. He was accompanied by a woman and a small boy.

GEORGE L. DAVIDSON, alias Spooner, has passed a check at a store in McPherson, Kan., to which check he had forged the signature of a local farmer who had employed him as a harvest hand.

FRED M. FALKMAN, alias Fred M. Faulkner, is drawing worthless checks against the Baltimore Trust Co., Baltimore, Md. One has recently been passed at Minneapolis, Minn.

ROBERT WILLIAM FIELDS, 24, of Cleveland, Ohio, has passed numerous bogus checks upon local individuals drawn against the Central National Bank of Cleveland.

E. A. GLENDON, who claimed to represent F. J. Spencer Mfg. Co., Toledo, Ohio, has passed bogus checks upon hotels in Gardiner and Augusta, Me. These checks are drawn upon the Dime Savings Bank Co., Toledo.

BRIAN M. ILIFF, a deserter from the U. S. Navy, is issuing bogus checks on the Hibernia Trust & Savings Bank, San Francisco, Cal. One was recently passed at Newport, R. I.

FRED KLINE. A forged cashier's draft on the First National Bank of Geraldine, Mont., has been cashed at Grand Forks, N. D., by a party giving his name as Fred Kline. He represented himself as a merchant of Martin, N. D.

EDWARD B. LARNED, 25, has passed numerous bogus check sat San Francisco, Cal., drawn against the Anglo London & Paris National Bank, San Francisco. Merchants and hotels have become his victims. The police at San Francisco hold a warrant for his arrest.

GEORGE W. MACRAE, known as H. P. Haines, Geo. L. Grimes, R. C. Spencer, E. B. Harris, Geo. L. Foster, etc., has been operating against hotels and business houses on the Pacific Coast, working his way eastward and last heard of in Biloxi, Miss., and Moblie, Ala. He has a plentiful supply of checks of the lithographed forms of the Ellsworth Packing Company of Niles, Cal., drawn on the Niles State Bank, Niles, Cal., to which he signs the name of Edward W. Ellsworth. He has also used lithographed checks of the Independent Lumber Company of Fruits, Fruita, Colo., made payable to the above names, signed "E. B. Harris," and rubber stamped "Auditor, Independent Lumber Co.," or signed as E. B. Hesse, Manager.

ALBERT MARTIN, alias Edwin Williams. The German American Trust & Savings Bank, Los Angeles, Cal., has reported that they are in receipt of several bogus checks drawn upon their bank and signed Albert Martin or Edwin Williams. These checks have passed, without exception, in Los Angeles.



RALPH C. MASON

RALPH C. MASON, alias James Smith, on June 22, was arrested in Indianapolis, Ind., and taken to Columbus, Ohio, for prosecution. This man has operated throughout Ohio and Kentucky with bogus checks on the First National

Q.G. Mason

Bank, Cleveland, Ohio, on which he had printed, "The Post Publishing Co." He carried printed cards stating that he was a press representative of the United News Service and Associated Press. He is 20 years, 6 feet 1½ inches, 173 pounds, of fair complexion. Bertillon measurements: 86.0 82.0 98.6 19.1 15.6 14.8 6.9 27.4 11.5 8.2 48.4.

F. O. McCLAUGHERTY has cashed a forged check at La Salle, Ill. This man is believed to have joined Barnum & Bailey's circus and is tending horses. Sheriff at La Salle holds warrant.



C. C. MOLLIN

C.C. MOLLIN, man of numerous aliases, who during 1912 secured a score of victims (merchants) throughout the east and who was arrested and sentenced to the Eastern Peniteniary, Philadelphia, Pa., in January, 1913, is again opeating with bogus certified checks having recently secured a victim at Plainfield, N. J., while using the name Frank Williams. He is 39 years 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds, of stocky build and light complexion. No Bertillon measurements available. April, 1912, Journal-Bulletin, page 623.

## Frank Williams or Gears

J. C. PENROSE is passing forged cashier's checks on the Penn's Grove National Bank, Penn's Grove, N. J. He cashed one at South Bethlehem, Pa., and two others at Atlantic City, N. J., at which latter place a warrant is now held by the police for his arrest.

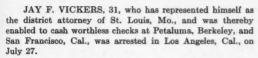
TOM ROBINSON, recently employed at Salida, Colo., as a blacksmith's helper, has succeeded in defrauding several local merchants by passing checks upon them to which he had forged his former employer's signature.

C. E. SMITH. A bogus check drawn on the First National Bank, Chicago, Ill., purporting to be issued to C. E. Smith by the Perfection Bedding Co., J. E. Strong, Sec.-Treas., has been cashed by Smith at Watertown, Wis. This bedding company does not bank at the First National and brands the checks as the swindler's own get-up.

JOSEPH D. WALTERS, who claims to represent Peabody-Houghteling & Co. as a bond salesman, recently passed a bogus check at Stanley, Wis., drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank, Chicago.



JAY F. VICKERS



HENRY WILDE, claiming to be of Richmond, Va., recently approached a Camden, N. J., member and exhibited a letter of introduction declaring that he was a manufacturer of children's silk underwear and intended to locate in Camden. He deposited a check of \$1,800 on the American National Bank, of Richmond, Va., for collection only. But on receiving a check book he immediately went forth in Camden and passed a \$100 check. The Richmond bank returned his check as bogus.

H. D. WOODHOUSE. A party representing himself as H. D. Woodhouse, son of the president of the Cabarrus Savings Bank, Concord, N. C., has endeavored to negotiate worthless checks in San Francisco, approaching his intended victims with a story concerning his having lost his wallet. To date he has defrauded no bank member that we are able to learn of.

#### ARRESTED

#### SWINDLING SOLDIER CAPTURED

Man who defrauded numerous banks with forged cashier's drafts while posing as a soldier is arrested in Illinois

For several months past our agents and the authorities throughout the entire country have been seeking to lay hands on one Albert Hadley, alias William O. Bower, etc., who has conducted an extensive swindling tour against banks. Bogus checks and forged cashier's drafts were the instruments of his operations. Our earliest record of this man is dated 1913, when he was sentenced to the Washington State Penitentiary for passing bogus checks. In 1914 he was arrested at Seattle for petty larceny. During March, 1916, he deserted at Vancouver, B. C., from the American Legion, H. M. S. British Army. From this time on Hadley, whose true name is William O. Bowers, perpetrated his swindles with surprising



# William Bowen.

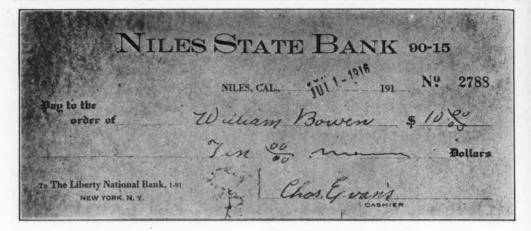
persistency. At Eugene, Ore., under the name Albert Hadley he secured a victim. At Springfield, Ore., on the same day he listed another. Then followed San Francisco, Fresno, Sacramento, Oakland, Petaluma, Niles, Exter, Whittier, Santa Maria, Marysville, and Chico, Cal., to mark the trail of his checks. He was representing himself as a Canadian soldier and displaying cards and papers verifying this fact and those he approached fell for his story without doubting in the least.

On June 19, he enlisted in the Washington National Guard, American Lake, Wash., and less than a month later deserted that body to continue his operations. After "cleaning up" in Washington, Utah, and Oregon, Hadley proceeded to New York. Attired in the uniform of a National Guardsman his endeavors in the east were crowned with success.

In the investigation made by our agents a certain lead carried them to Greenview, Ill., where they warned the local banks to be on the watch for Hadley, explaining as to his method of procedure and soldier's dress. Consequently when on August 4, J. S. Brown, cashier of The First State Bank, Greenview, Ill., beheld a man in uniform who answered Hadley's description, his suspicions were aroused and he notified the sheriff and turned over to him our July, 1916, Supplement, in which photo of the swindler is reproduced. The man was taken into custody and proved to be Hadley. He had in his grip \$1,800 in drafts of the Niles State Bank, Niles, Cal., drawn on the Liberty National Bank, New York, N. Y., sample of which is reproduced. He was taken to Springfield, Ill. The California and Oregon Bankers Association has cooperated with this Association in our investigation. Description, Bertillon and prison photograph of this operator are shown on page 5, of the July, 1916, Supplement.

He used the names William J. Bauer, Wm. Bowen, A. Henderson, Basil Shontz, Bert S. Nelson and M. J. Edwards.

JOHN D. BALDWIN, alias Burton Adams, alias George A. McManus, who has victimized a member at Chicago, Ill., by cashing a check to which he forged his employer's signature, was, on July 25, arrested by the police at Pittsburgh, Pa., on local swindling charges. Our agents traced him to Pittsburgh on behalf of the defrauded member.



#### BILLINGS JAIL WELCOMES KITERS

Man and wife who operated extensive check kiting scheme in northwestern states are captured in Montana

The Billings, Mont., jail has closed its doors upon Gerald A. Rice and wife, two check kiters, who during the month past have victimized many banks in the northwest. The scene of their first operation was Eugene, Ore. Here Rice, using the name George W. Beck, opened an account with a member bank by depositing a sum of money in cash. After nourishing the bank's confidence he deposited and succeeded in drawing against a bogus check, then drew out all money to his credit and departed. Tacoma, Wash., next claimed the presence of Rice and wife. Here at one bank he opened

GERALD A. RICE

an account by depositing a small sum of cash. At the same time his wife (they were now using the name Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Ripley) opened an account with still another bank. Shortly thereafter Rice deposited a check issued by his wife to him on her bank, on which Rice received credit. Then Mrs. Rice deposited a check issued by her husband to her. drawn on his bank. She received credit on this check. The couple next went forth in Tacoma passing numerous checks upon tradespeople and receiving goods and cash in return. The banks paid on these checks before they realized the accounts were overdrawn and therefore lost heavily. At Missoula. Mont., they continued their work under the name Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Reeves and two local banks became victims. Trailing the couple to Billings, Mont., our agents warned all local banks of their operations. On August 5 a Billings bank notified our agents of the operations of a man and wife who might be the parties wanted. They pointed the couple out to a Burns representative, who from a picture he carried recognized the man as Rice and turned them over to the local police. They had endeavored to perpetrate further swindles at Billings and admitted their identity and operations. Rice used also the names J. P. Lewis and E. T. Gordon. They have been returned to Eugene, Ore., for trial. He is 22 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds; of fair complexion; has dark brown hair; wears glasses. She is 20 years, 5 feet 2 or 3 inches, 100 pounds, of slim build; has light hair; is pleasant and attractive. The Oregon Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in this case.

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JAMES M. BOLAND. Recently one James M. Boland, who represented himself as a book salesman, called upon a Hudson Falls, N. Y., member and endeavored to draw against a bogus check on the National Bank of Syracuse, Syracuse, N. Y. He failed in his attempt. The check was signed L. M. Stuart, in Boland's writing. He is 23 years, 5 feet 6 inches; wore a cap and was well dressed. This man on August 22 was arrested at Bar Harbor, Me., by local authorities and turned over to Boston authorities on charges preferred by a hotel in Boston.



WILLIAM H. CALDER

WILLIAM H. CALDER on August 9, was arrested in New York City by the local authorities. This young man confessed to having broken into numerous offices of downtown awyers, and stealing blank checks and papers bearing specimens of the lawyers' signatures; then forging the latters' signatures to the checks and presenting them at the banks for payment. Several members have suffered as a result of his operations. He is known also as Ralph Hill and Edward Hall. This man has served 9 months in Elmira, N. Y., Reformatory for this same offense. He is 21 years, 5 feet 9½ inches, 130 pounds, of slender build; has brown hair and dark eyes. Bertillon: 76.6 70.0 90.0 19.1 14.7 12.6 5.6 27.1 11.6 8.7 45.5. JOURNAL for May, 1914, page 767; June, 1914, page 833; July, 1914, page 51.

ROY M. CAMPBELL, who on August 1, endeavored to swindle a Kansas City, Mo., member bank by having them cash for him a worthless check, was arrested in the banking rooms by the local police. He later claimed that he was under the influence of liquor when committing this act. He is 32 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds, of ruddy complexion; claims to be a brakeman.

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JOSEPHINE CLARK, colored, was on July 22, turned over to the Philadelphia, Pa., police by our detective agents. This woman, while employed as a maid in the home of a local member bank depositor, forged her employer's signature to a check which she presented at the bank for payment. She confessed and is held awaiting trial.

HENRY H. DAVIS, who while claiming to represent the "Thrift Movement" of the Association, succeeded in defrauding a member at Jefferson, Wis., by cashing a bogus draft drawn on the Peoples National Bank, Lynchburg, Va., was on July 22, arrested by the police at Chicago, Ill., on a warrant sworn to by a local hotel charging swindling by worthless draft. A contract had been made by the Association (which was later cancelled) with the Collins Publicity Service to organize a thrift campaign. At that time Davis represented the Collins Service, but at no time has he been given authority to represent this Association in any of its departments. He was employed by the Collins Service for two weeks only. Members at Janesville and Beloit, Wis., have also reported of

his operations. He is held at Chicago under bond. Davis is 30 years, 160 pounds, of light complexion, of good appearance and a fluent talker.

Henry & Davis

HARRY W. DRYDEN, alias Frank Jackson, who has defrauded a Portland, Ore., member bank by forging a signature of a depositor to a check which the bank cashed, was on August 9, arrested at Portland by our agents and the local police. He is 30 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 190 pounds. The Oregon Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in this case.

THOMAS E. EARLY, who has put to a loss a member at Chicago, Ill., by cashing two forged checks, which the bank allowed to go through its hands, was on July 28, arrested in Chicago by our agents and the local police. He gave his name as James McMillan. He is known also as Fred McMillan and Fred Wilder and has been arrested at Chicago on numerous occasions and charges. Shortly after his arrest he was released on bond and immediately proceeded to pass additional checks. He is 40 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 170 pounds, of medium build; has the appearance of a laborer.

SAM FREY, who is mentioned on page 12 of the July, 1916, Supplement, in an article on Jeff Robinson which states that these men succeeded in victimizing a member at Collinsville, Okla., in the cashing of a forged check, was on July 23 arrested at Cushing, Iowa, by our agents and the local authorities.

JAMES J. HANNEGAN, 35, who has victimized a member of Corvallis, Ore., by securing a loan on a note to which he had forged the signatures of two local individuals, was on August 3, arrested at Salem, Ore., by our agents and the local sheriff and returned to Corvallis.

W. J. HARDY, who has victimized a member at Portland, Ore., by the alleged raising of a savings withdrawal receipt and cashing same, was on July 1 arrested at Denver, Colo., by our agents and the local police. The Oregon Bankers Association has co-operated with this Association in this investigation.



LOUIS P. HARRISON.

LOUIS P. HARRISON, 22, who has defrauded a member at Lordsburg, N. M., by cashing a check which had been

raised from \$2.50 to \$200.50, was on July 19 turned over to the police of Long Beach, Cal., by our agents, pending arrival of officer from Morenci. Harrison is 5 feet 6 inches, 133 pounds, of slight build.

LOUIS J. HARRIS who is wanted by a member at Pittsburg, Cal., on an attempt to defraud by forgery, and a member at San Francisco, Cal., on a charge of forgery and passing, was arrested at Santa Ana, Cal., on July 17, by the local authorities. He is known also as H. Jennings, T. Norton, Jean Henri De Boucherville, L. A. Harris, etc. Photo and description appear on page 22 of the August, 1916, Supplement. The California Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in the endeavors to have this man arrested.



LOVERN J. HERRIFF.

LOVERN J. HERRIFF, alias W. B. Mayo, alias Leonard J. Clark, was on July 29 arrested at Hillyard, Wash., by the local police upon information furnished by our detective agents. He will be returned to the Joliet, Ill., Penitentiary to complete a term of from 5 to 8 years, from which institution he was paroled on March 27, after serving 12 months of his sentence on a forgery charge. Shortly after his release he defrauded a Chicago member by cashing a check which he had stolen from his employer and to which he had forged the latter's signature. Other charges of forgery, committed since his release, have been filed against him. He is 31 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 183 pounds; has medium chestnut hair, is an electrical engineer. Bertillon measurements: 80.1 82.8 95.6 19.4 15.3 7.6 26.8 12.2 9.5 49.2. Journal, December, 1913, page 423.



F. M. HINES.

F. M. HINES, a deputy game warden for the state of Washington, was on July 30, arrested by the police of Spokane, Wash., on a charge of having swindled a local bank member by drawing against a bogus check which he had left for collection. In April, 1916, this man had been paroled from the Washington State Reformatory after having served 9 months there on a charge of first degree forgery. Our agents were present at the arrest. He is 25 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds; of light complexion. Thumb and two first fingers of his left hand are amputated.

A. F. HOLDEN, wanted for victimizing a member at Atchison, Kan., by cashing a worthless check, whose photograph is reproduced in the June, 1916, Supplement, was recently arrested at Cheyenne, Wyo., for the authorities of Colorado Springs, Colo., at which place he had committed a forgery. He is being prosecuted at Colorado Springs but has instituted a plea of insanity.

BERNARD LOEHRS, 48, who on July 26 defrauded a member at Asbury Park, N. J., by having them cash for him a bogus check drawn on the Luzerne Co. National Bank, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., was one day later arrested by this bank. This man has operated also in New York City, Philadelphia, Pa., and Burlington, Vt., with similar checks. He has been employed as foreman by an engineering concern of Brooklyn, N. Y.

RUEL T. McCONNELL who has defrauded a member at Hattiesburg, Miss., by worthless drafts, was on August 16, arrested at New Orleans, La., by our agents and the local authorities. He agreed to return to Hattiesburg without extradition papers.



U. H. MORGAN.

U. H. MORGAN, alias W. H. Moore, was recently released from the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan. Immediately he had printed a number of contracts purporting to be of the American Farm Loan Co. of New York. With these contracts he began canvassing real estate men and bankers in Oklahoma, offering to appoint them as agents for the American Farm Loan Company, providing they would give bond with the New England Indemnity Co. of New York. He offered such a good proposition that he secured many contracts. collecting the premium on the bond which he demanded. The attention of our agents was called to this matter, with the result that Morgan was arrested in Clinton, Okla., on August 3, by our agents and local officers. Morgan is held at

Arapahoe, Okla., awaiting trial, having succeeded in defrauding members at Lamont and Garber, Okla. He is 42 years, 5 feet 5 inches, of sallow complexion; has dark brown hair and eyes; is a paper hanger and painter.



HERBERT E. MORRILL.

HERBERT E. MORRILL, who defrauded a member at Milwaukee, Wis., by cashing a bogus check, was on August 22 arrested at Chicago, Ill., by our agents and the local authorities. He also passed several bogus checks upon tradespeople of Milwaukee. He is an ex-railroad man, insurance solicitor and electric supply salesman. His checks were drawn on the South Side State Bank, Chicago, signed Empire Lamp Co., per P. T. Adams, Treas. They bore the notation, "expenses to date." He is 34 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 185 pounds, of medium stout build, smooth shaven. His face is "puffed"; he has a large stomach and drinks to excess.

2/ E. Morrile

DAVID T. MORRIS, who is alleged to have forged his father's name to several checks for which he secured cash from a member at Detroit, Mich., was on July 28 arrested by our agents and the Detroit police.

THOMAS M. RANDALL, who has victimized a member at Calexico, Cal., by having them cash two bogus checks for him, has been arrested in Los Angeles, on a charge of attempting to desert from the army and returned to Calexico where he is being prosecuted on the Federal authorities' charge.

FRED W. REED, who has victimized several members of Portland, Me., by passing forged checks, was on August 9, arrested at Springfield, Mass., by the police on a local charge.

MRS. G. S. ROBERTS, alias Mrs. Barger, who defrauded a member of Independence, Mo., by forging and cashing two checks, was on August 9 arrested at Springfield, Mo., by our agents and the local authorities. She agreed to return to Independence. This woman is 20 to 22 years, 5 feet 2 or 3 inches, 120 pounds; has blonde hair, light complexion, and blue eyes.

W. W. ROBERTS, alias L. D. Morgan, forger and bogus check operator, was arrested on July 24, at Amity, Mo., by two bankers of Maysville, Mo., who had pursued Roberts to Amity. This man had passed a bogus check at Amity and left for collection at a Stewartsville, Mo., bank a worthless check of \$5,000 signed "The O. M. Jones Distilling Co." It is believed that he will be returned to St. Joseph. Mo., where he also cashed several checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature. He is 48 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 130 pounds, of slender build; has dark complexion, hair and eyes. He has a heavy brown mustache; the little finger of his right hand is missing; his right forearm is powerless as a result of blood poisoning; is a user of morphine.

I. D. Morgan

CHARLES S. SMITH. On August 1, following an investigation made by our agents, one Charles Smith was arrested by the police of Paris, Ill. He was identified by the cashier of a member bank at Terre Haute, Ind., as being the individual who, on July 18, secured a sum of money on a check to which he had forged the signature of a responsible party at Paris. Smith confessed to this charge and was returned to Terre Haute. He is 5 feet 7 or 8 inches, 150 pounds, has light gray eyes, dark hair, well tanned face; wore overalls.

WM. H. SOCWELL, who was victimized a member at Jacksonville, Fla., and another at Minneapolis, Minn., Morris Hill, Ind., and Mt. Pulaski, Ill., by cashing bogus checks, while representing himself as being connected with the engineering department of a prominent railroad, was, on August 17, arrested at Kalamazoo, Mich., by Federal authorities. He has been returned to Grand Rapids, Mich., where he will be prosecuted on the charge of impersonating a United States officer. On page 7 of the July, 1916, Supplement, there appears a photograph and description of Socwell.

LUTHER STOREY, alias Robert Roy, alias H. Ortego, on July 27 was arrested at Opelousas, La., by our agents and the local sheriff, for forging indorsements to a cashier's check which he had stolen and which he attempted to pass upon a New Orleans member.

J. THOMPSON, negro, who has victimized a member at Galveston, Tex., by cashing a bogus check, was on July 29 found by our agents in jail at Houston, Tex., where he had been lodged by the local police on three charges of forgery. He confessed to defrauding the Galveston member. He is 35 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 155 pounds.



BERTHA TROWBRIDGE.



RALPH EVANS.

On July 29 the individuals named herein were arrested at Kansas City, Mo., by local detectives, as being the parties who on July 8 held up and robbed the Jarbalo State Bank, Jarbalo, Kan., of \$1,262, and on July 21, the Linwood State Bank (non-member) Linwood, Kan., of \$1,481.83. They have been termed the "auto bandits," as they use an auto in their work. Their trial is to take place at Leavenworth, Kan., to which place they have been returned.

BERTHA TROWBRIDGE, alias Bertha Evans, alias Bertha McHance, is 27 years, 5 feet 1½ inches, 113 pounds, of medium build; has dark chestnut hair, brown eyes, medium complexion, she is a waitress by choice and was born in St. Louis, Mo. Bertillon: 57.2 60.0 83.8 17.2 14.9 13.8 6.0 23.2 10.6 8.2 41.5.

RALPH EVANS, alias C. H. Davis, alias F. Johnson, alias George Thompson, is 20 years, 5 feet 10½ inches, 141 pounds, of slender build; has chestnut hair, dark brown eyes, medium complexion. He is a farmer and was born in Wyandotte Co., Kan. Bertillon: 78.0 80.0 95.0 19.5 14.5 13.7 6.5 26.3 11.1 8.9 47.4. Finger prints: 1/17 R/R II/II 13.

BARNEY BALLEW is 26 years, 5 feet 6½ inches, 139 pounds, of slender build. He is a waiter and was born at Brookston, Tex. Bertillon: 68.8 77.0 89.9 19.5 15.2 14.1 6.7 26.3 11.7 8.9 45.7.

FRANK MULKEY is 32 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 153 pounds, of stocky build; has medium brown hair, medium complexion. He is a chauffeur and was born at Kansas City, Mo. Bertillon: 65.0 76.0 87.0 18.6 15.8 14.1 6.8 25.2 11.4 8.6 45.7.

EDWARD E. WILLIAMS, alias Robert A. Birmingham who has passed numerous checks in California bearing the forged signature of White Bros., Hardwood Lumber Co., San Francisco, and who has put to loss a member of Ocean Park, Cal., by passing a forged check, was on August 3 arrested at San Francisco. He was formerly employed by White Brothers, lumbermen, of San Francisco. The California Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in an endeavor to arrest this man.



FRANK MULKEY.



BARNEY BALLEW.

JACK WILLIAMS. On August 9, Jack Williams, who defrauded a member bank at Kansas City, Mo., by cashing several checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature, was arrested at Detroit, Mich., by our agents and the local police, to which place Williams had been traced by our representatives. One Irene Curran, companion of Williams, was also placed under arrest. They were returned to Kansas City. Williams is known also under the names Byrnes and DeVere.

W. E. YOUNG, who has victimized a member at Dallas, Tex., in the cashing of four bogus checks, was located at Dallas, on July 19, by our agents and turned over to the local police. He is 26 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds.

#### CONVICTED

JAMES TERRY, alias Jack Wilson, true name believed to be Ernest Fifer, negro, has been sentenced to forty-seven years in the Texas Penitentiary. On January 18, 1916, he was convicted at Houston, Tex., on twelve counts of forgery against a local member.

F. S. BENNETT, forgery, July 18, 1916, 5 years, chaingang, Jacksonville, Fla.

GRAY BOYKIN, raised checks, April 21, 2 years on each of two counts, Texas State Penitentiary.

RUSSELL J. COLEMAN, forgery, indeterminate term, Kansas State Reformatory.

CHRIST DINGFELDER, forgery, 6 months, Detroit, Mich., House of Correction.

F. M. HINES, bogus check, August 1, ordered delivered to Washington State Reformatory to complete unserved sentence

ZORA MESSER, fraudulent telegram, August 9, 60 days, House of Correction, Chicago, Ill.

J. G. MEYER, bogus check; indeterminate term, Ohio State Reformatory.

JOHN A. NELSON, forgeries, March 27, Elmira, N. Y., Reformatory.

M. W. NICHOLS, worthless check, sentence suspended. BERT PHILLIPS, alias Jimmie Phillips, forgery, June 12, 5 years, California State Penitentiary.

MRS. G. S. ROBERTS, forgery, 2 years, Missouri State Penitentiary; paroled.

 ${\bf MAX}$  ROSENTHAL, forgery, 6 months, chain-gang, Jacksonville, Fla.

JOHN GORDON RYKER, forgery, June 21, 1916, 10 years and 6 months, New York State Prison.

CHARLES SMITH, alias Charles Kaspar, forgery, July 20, 60 days, House of Correction, Chicago, Ill.

#### RELEASED

C. T. BERRYHILL, bogus checks, released; Montana and Iowa authorities refused to extradite.

HENRY H. DAVIS, worthless drafts, released; case compromised.

LOUIS P. HARRISON, raised check, released, victim permitted compromise.

JOSEPH F. HAYES, forgery, case not prosecuted.

G. F. C. HOUGHTON, forgery, February 25, 1916, sentence suspended.

A. E. LEWIS, alleged hold up, released; insufficient evidence to convict.

SAM MARGULIES, forgery, January 1916, discharged, charges against him suspended.

WILLIAM NOUSCH, forgery, made good loss of bank, paid costs of case, and was discharged.

ALFREDO TROIANA, alias Alfredo de Angeles, bogus checks, released.

R. K. WARDELL, forged check, case dismissed.

W. E. YOUNG, bogus checks, released; prosecution dropped.

#### INSANE

BOB ANDREWS, alias Clarence Andrews, confined in an insane asylum. Forgery charges will not be passed during term of commitment, nor thereafter during good behavior.

#### DIED

F. WILT, alleged forgery, died while released on bond awaiting trial.

#### AWAITING ACTION

#### ALLEGED FORGERS AND SWINDLERS

Amato, Bruna, forgery, Richfield Springs, N. Y. Baldwin, John D., forgery, Chicago, Ill. Bishop, James G., forgery, New Haven Conn. Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass. Boland, James M., bogus check, Hudson Falls, N. Y. Brant, George T., forgery, Portland. Orc. Brown, Earl J., forgery, Tulsa, Okla Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal. Burt, Mrs. Kate, forgery, Junean Alaska.

Busby, Joe, mortgage swindle, Claremore, Okla. Butts, D. W., forgery, Van Nuys, Cal. Calder, William H., forgery, New York, N. Y. Calleris, John, swindle, Lexington, Ky. Cameron, Earl L., forgery, Goldendale, Wash. Campbell, Roy M., worthless check, Kansas City, Mo. Clark, Josephine, forgery, Philadelphia, Pa. Clark, W. E., forgery, Kansas City, Mo. Coleman, Daniel, worthless check, Los Gatos, Cal. Cox, Lucile, forgery, Fort Worth, Tex. Cragin, George H., forgery, Boston, Mass Davis, Arthur, forgery, San Francisco, Cal. Davis, Everett J., forgery, Watertown, N. Y. Dillon, C. E., bogus checks, Tyler, Minn. Dodson, C. L., forgery, Boston, Mass. Dryden, Harry W., forgery, Portland, Ore. Early, Thomas E., forgery, Chicago, Ill. Fox, Harry, bogus check, Lynchburg, Va. Frey, Sam, forgery, Collinsville, Okla. Genebis, Frank, bogus checks, San Pedro, Cal. Gray, Sandy, forgery, Forest City, N. C. Green, Max, swindle, Manhattan, Ill. Hadley, Albert, forgery, Eugene, Ore. Hannegan, James J., forgery, Corvallis, Ore. Hardy, W. J., swindle, Portland, Ore. Harris, Louis J., forgery, Pittsburg, Cal. Haynie, B. P., worthless check, Houston, Tex. Herriff, Lovern J., forgery, Chicago, Ill. Holden, A. F., worthless check, Atchison, Kan. Holmes, J. V., forgery, Deland, Fla. Hyedo, August, forged check, Omaha, Neb. Johnson, Clark, forgery, Canton, Miss. Jones, Mary, forgery, Galveston, Tex. Keefe, Ned, forgery, Smethport, Pa. Keltner, Tom, forgery, Fayetteville, Tenn. Kurz, Otto, mortgage swindle, Tulsa, Okla. Le Strange, Augustus, forgery, New York, N. Y. Loehrs, Bernard, bogus check, Asbury Park, N. J. Lowe, Alfred, forgery, Baileyton, Tenn. McConnell, Ruel T., worthless drafts, Hattiesburg, Miss. McElroy, Lethel, forgery, Birmingham, Ala. Mangold, Joseph, forged stock, New York, N. Y. Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark. Mayes, J. S., worthless check, Daytona Beach, Fla. Metzgar, H. R., forgery, New Hartford, Ia. Miller, George, forgery, Ithaca, N. Y. Moore, Michael, forgery, New York, N. Y. Morgan, U. H., swindle, Lamont, Okla. Morrill, Herbert E., bogus check, Milwaukee, Wis. Morris, David T., forgery, Detroit, Mich. Neel, H. L., forgery, Braman, Okla. Osborne, Clarence, forgery, Pendleton, Ore. Owens, Charles, forgery, Harrisburg, Ill. Powell, Sonney, forgery, Oilton, Okla. Randall, Thomas M., bogus checks, Calexico, Cal. Reed, Fred W., forgery, Portland, Me. Rice, Gerald A., swindle, Billings, Mont. Rice, Mrs. Gerald A., swindle, Billings, Mont. Richardson, F. L., forgery, Boston, Mass. Riche, A. L., swindle, Boston, Mass Roberts, W. W., swindle, Maysville, Mo. Robinson, Jeff, forgery, Collinsville, Okla. Roeder, Albert, forgery, Boston, Mass. Rosenberg, I., forgery, Bandon, Ore. Rosene, Harry W., bogus check, Ligonier, Ind. Rudd, Harry, forgery, Jackson, Miss. Rueben, Sol, bogus checks, San Pedro, Cal.

Sanders, Mrs. S. D., swindle, Baker, Ore. Scott, John, forgery, South Jacksonville, Fla. Seiler, Charles, forgery, New York, N. Y. Settle, William, forgery, Pendleton, Ore. Skaggs, Charles H., swindle, Friars Point, Miss. Skillman, Harry, swindle, Silver Springs, N. Y. Smith, Charles S., forgery, Terre Haute, Ind. Socwell, Wm. H., swindle, Jacksonville, Fla. Spaulding, T. W., worthless check, Oakland, Cal. Sporks, F. B., swindle, Tulsa, Okla. Stanford, R. E., forgery, Catoosa, Okla. Stevens, George S., forgery, Boston, Mass. Stinnette, Estline, forgery, Galveston, Tex. Storey, Luther, forgery, New Orleans, La. Strozier, Will, forgery, Tulsa, Okla. Thompson, J., bogus check, Galveston, Tex. Tiley, E. L., bogus check, Cincinnati, Ohio. Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont. Turner, Willis Edgar, bogus checks, Oatman, Ariz. Williams, Albertha, forgery, Jackson, Miss. Williams, Edward E., forgery, Ocean Park, Cal. Williams, Jack, forgery, Kansas City, Mo. Wright, Will E., forgery, Houston, Tex.

#### BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Ashley, John, hold up, Stuart, Fla.
Ballew, Barney, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan.
Berri, Jack, hold up, Neck City, Mo.
Carsen, Grady, hold up, Heavener, Okla.
Culver, Edward, hold up, Vian, Okla.
Downing, H. L., attempted robbery, Curwensville, Pa.
Evans, Ralph, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan.
Johnson, Charles H., hold up, Stroud, Okla.
Letterman, F. A., hold up, Red Fork, Okla.
Mulkey, Frank, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan.
Payne, W. M., hold up, Vian, Okla.

Schuneman, John, hold up, Red Fork, Okla. Smith, Frank, hold up, Heavener, Okla. Trowbridge, Bertha, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan.

#### STATISTICS OF PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

	Awaiting Trial, August 1, 1915.	Arrested since August 1, 1915.	Arrests in August 1916.	Total.	Convicted.	Discharged or Acquitted.	Escaped, Insane, Fugitive or Dead.	Awaiting Trial.
Forgers	88	347	35	382	267	89	15	99
Burglars Hold-up	10	3		3	8	4	1	
Robbers	10	35	4	39	29	5	1	14
Sneak Thieves		. 4		4	3		1	
	108	389	39	428	307	98	18	113

#### LOST TIME CERTIFICATES

Under date of August 21, the State Bank of Windsor, Ill., wrote us as follows:

"On April 11, 1916, we issued to A. T. Collison our Time Certificate Number 7665 payable to himself, bearing 4 per cent. interest from date for \$27,000. Mr. Collison wired us this morning that he had lost his pocketbook containing this certificate and requested us to stop payment.

"Would suggest that you take whatever steps you deem necessary in the matter. Thanking you I am."

If this certificate should be presented to you and the party presenting same cannot answer the proper questions, the certificate should be taken up.

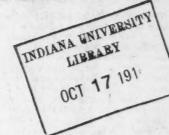


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### SEPTEMBER PROTECTIVE WORK

#### CURTIS PUBLISHING COMPANY MISREPRESENTED

Warn of mute who is collecting money for subscriptions to the Saturday Evening Post. They offer reward

The Curtis Publishing Co., Philadelphia, Pa., has notified us under date of September 21, that a dumb man who endeavors to collect money for subscription to the Saturday Evening Post, is traveling throughout the country victimizing exclusively bank cashiers. He is a dangerous swindler. "He presents letters of recommendation purporting to be issued by banks in Albertville and Rogers, Minn., and a bank in Kentucky-it's pretty certain that these letters are counterfeit," declares this company. He conducts the conversation with the prospective victim in writing and invariably writes some remark on the back of each receipt, such as "Thank you," "Good luck to you," etc. The receipts he has issued are signed with the names Herbert Simpson, J. R. Holland, Walter Bradford, Harry Scanlon, J. S. Doyle, Walter Sturms, Roy Garland, Roy Gates, Walter Stevens, Harry Russell, Roy Mayers, Harry Crawford, W. C. Hayes, Robert Durland, and J. L. Roberts. He operated at Dayton, Minn., on September 8. The Curtis Company offer a reward of fifty dollars to the one who secures the arrest and conviction of this man.

DISPLAYED BANK'S RECEIPT

Millville jeweler accepted check on local bank when prospective purchaser exhibits bank's receipt for check deposited

A jeweler at Millville, N. J., is lamenting the loss of a diamond ring and a pair of diamond earrings handed out to Morris B. Corsone, an individual who came into his store on September 13, and extended a \$570 check on the Millville National Bank. The jeweler had no faith in Corsone's check until Corsone uncovered a receipt on the bank showing that he had turned over to it a \$3,800 check on the American National of Richmond, Va. The jeweler then accepted Corsone's check for the jewelry. Whereupon Corsone hurriedly boarded a train for other regions. The Millville bank received word from Richmond, Va., that Corsone was unknown. The jew-

eler says that the swindler is a Jew, 50 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 180 pounds, heavy set, thick black mustache; wears goldrimmed spectacles. Corsone is now under arrest in Camden, N. J.

#### NAMES LESLIE-JUDGE CO.

New Haven member reports operations of a man who has been receiving subscriptions for this company

A member of New Haven, Conn., under date of September 21, writes as follows:

"A Mr. B. F. Cooke has been receiving subscriptions for the Leslie-Judge Co., 57 Eddy St., Providence, R. I. As he received subscriptions, the subscriber would sign a note, payable in six months, and by arrangement with the Leslie-Judge Co., we would discount these notes. Mr. Cooke has turned in a number of fraudulent notes. The Leslie-Judge Co. wish us to enter complaint against him that he may be apprehended. He traveled all through this section and at present we do not know where he is. He is a young man, very nice appearing, rather light complexion, smooth face."

#### COAST BANK SUFFERS LOSS

Has confidence in depositor who works toward perpetrating swindle upon them

C. A. FRASER has victimized a Los Angeles bank. On April 17, he opened an account with the bank, representing himself as being in the oil business. It took Fraser a long time to get the confidence of the bank but at the end of four months he believed that his harvest time had come. He tendered two checks of large amounts on the Citizens Bank, Kingman, Ariz., and was a rich man. Then he left Los Angeles. The victim claims that Fraser is 50 years old, 5 feet 10 inches tall, of light complection, and has dark hair and keen eyes.

Moris B-Corsone

Ca France

#### PERFECTION BEDDING CO. NAMED

Operator of bogus checks fleeces hotels of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Montana

Claiming to be a representative of the Perfection Bedding Co., an operator with bogus checks bearing the printed name of the company, is today conducting an extensive swindle against hotels. Those of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Montana have clamored for the honor of cashing them. The operator has used the names C. E. Smith and W. E. Jones. The checks are signed "J. E. Strong, Sec. & Treas."

J.E. Strong.

#### FORGER'S CLIQUE ATTACKS CHICAGO

Attracts notice of agents and police and is soon banished from field

An organized clique of check swindlers has made its appearance in Chicago and succeeded in defrauding a member bank by the use of bogus checks. This clique consists of a saloon-keeper, a well-known forger who writes the bodies of the checks and several individuals who will not hesitate at anything to secure the price of a drink. These checks are all written out and placed in what appears to be a pay envelope and given to the men to lay down. The amounts are invariably \$12.40 and the passer is required after cashing the checks, to immediately return to the saloon-keeper, where two-thirds of the amounts secured are turned over to the saloon-keeper and check writer.

Our detective agents have been successful in causing the arrest of two of these workers and have furnished the identity of the others to the police department. A confession has been secured from one of the clique now serving a year's sentence in the house of correction and a partial confession from one who was recently arrested.

The persistency with which these fellows work is shown in this instance. Our detective agents caused the arrest of Thomas E. Early, with various aliases, one of the members of this gang, July 28, 1916. He succeeded in securing bail just a week from that day, and on the following Monday morning the member bank who had reported their operations advised that they had got another. It was later learned that on Saturday Early cashed one of these checks for \$12.40, on Monday two, on Wednesday three, and on Thursday, August 10, he was re-arrested by our detective agents and the police department of Chicago. It is believed that the clique is now broken up.

#### FORGER KILLED RESISTING ARREST

Man who victimized many banks and individuals in the west is killed by police

Members who have suffered through the operations of Marlow F. Reinhardt, forger, will not suffer from his depredations any more. On August 31, the police of Centralia, Wash., caught up with Reinhardt in flight and when he fought to maintain liberty shot and killed him. This man's operations were first taken up at Farragut, Iowa, where after securing a contract with the Standard Life Insurance Co., of Des Moines, he was enabled to victimize a local bank in the issuing of a bogus check. He then had a supply of checks printed purporting to be signed by the Guaranty Title & Trust Co., H. O. Halleth, Secretary, drawn on the Union Bank & Trust Co., El Paso, Tex.; also cards which announced him as Allen J. Martin, Agent for the Security Title & Trust Co., Gallup, N. M. He passed through several states scattering his checks when and wherever possible.

MI Rewhardt

#### CAUTIOUS TELLER AVERTS LOSS

Suspicious of a check used by stranger he wires the alleged issuing bank and learns check's true nature

On August 25, a depositor of a Pittsburgh, Pa., member, came into the bank accompanied by one Harvey N. Whiting. The teller was informed that Whiting was about to purchase a confectionery business owned by the depositor, for which he was to pay \$500. Whiting had presented a cashier's check to the depositor on the Citizens National Bank of Albert Lea, Minn., in amount of \$1,500, payable to Harry N. Whiting and purporting to be signed C. L. Swenson, cashier. The depositor in turn gave Whiting his personal check for \$1,000-his account not having the required amount to his credit at that time. During the conversation the teller learned that the depositor and Whiting were strangers, and he therefore informed the former that he would not credit his account with the amount of the cashier's check at that time, but would send it through for collection. This arrangement was agreed to and the men left the bank. Somewhat suspicious of the check the teller at once telegraphed to the Minnesota bank and received a telegram in reply to the effect that the check had not been issued by them. The depositor was notified and immediately stopped payment on the \$1,000 check he had given to Whiting.

Harvay N. Whiting

#### THIEVES INFEST OKLAHOMA TOWNS

Banks in danger of men of crime who have flocked to Oklahoma as their headquarters

In connection with this article we are inserting the photographs of a number of thieves who we are aware are now collected in Oklahoma, principally at Tulsa and its immediate vicinity, and who may at any moment attack a bank. These men are dangerous characters who have been arrested upon one or more occasions on charges of highway robbery. It would be well for members to familiarize themselves with each face so that if these men appear they will be known.



No. 1-LOYAL VOSBURG



No. 2-DOUGLAS ROWE



No. 3-J. F. HOHN



No. 4-WALTER ROGGERS



No. 5-DALE DEVAL



No. 6-GROVER BLUM

Number 1 is Loyal Vosburg, alias "Dutch," 23 years, 5 feet 7¼ inches, 130 pounds, of slight build, medium complexion, medium chestnut hair, dark blue eyes. He is a waiter by choice. Bertillon measurements: 71.0 80.0 88.5 19.8 14.8 12.2 6.2 25.7 11. 8.6 46.5.

Number 2 is Douglas Rowe, a negro, who has a wide reputation as a "bad man" of whom it is said "it matters not to him how he gets money as long as he gets it." He is 22 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 125 pounds, slender build. Bertillon measurements: 71.5 87.1 83. 19.1 15.2 14.1 5.9 25.8 11.1 8.7 46.9. Rowe is a porter by choice.

Number 3 is J. F. Hohn, who has "petrified" many a victim with his intimidating demand, "your money or your life." He is 34 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds, of medium

build; has dark chestnut hair, blue eyes, sandy complexion. Hohn is also a waiter. Bertillon measurements: 70.0 80.0 83.0 20.1 15.8 14.8 6.4 26.7 12.4 9.9 47.5.

Number 4 is Walter Roggers, a negro, who is known as an associate of the type of men shown herein. He is 29 years, 5 feet 9½ inches, 165 pounds, of slender build; has brown eyes. He is a laborer. Bertillon measurements: 76.0 89.0 86.5 19.5 14.5 12.7 6.9 27.1 12.1 9.3 50.6.

Number 5 is Dale Deval, alias Blackie Deval, over whose head the sheriff of Tulsa has hung a reward of \$25. During April, 1914, a delivery wagon left Tulsa jail to proceed on its way. Hidden amongst its boxes and bales lay Deval. He is 20 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 117 pounds, of small build; has dark chestnut hair, yellow green eyes, pallid complexion. Bertillon measurements: 67.7 69.7 91.1 18.9 14.8 13.2 6.2 25.4 11.3 8.6 45.9.

Number 6 is Grover Blum, alias Morris, alias Roy Moore, who escaped from Tulsa with Deval. Blum has ofttimes



No. 7-FRANK STERLING



No. 9-ROY JONES



No. 11-E. J. TURNER

"earned" a dollar by the threat of his loaded gun. He is 5 feet 7% inches, 135 pounds, of slender build; has dark chestnut hair, dark blue eyes, sallow complexion. He is a cook. Bertillon measurements: 72.5 70.0 93.5 19.6 14.4 12.2 6.1 25.4 9.0 46.3.

Number 7 is Frank Sterling, alias Frank De Rush, negro, for whose return the Tulsa jail authorities have also offered a reward of \$25. Sterling is a talented thief and besides has a bank hold-up record. He is known as a clever safe blower. He is 29 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 155 pounds, of slender build; has black and gray hair, maroon eyes. Bertillon measurements: 80.0 88.0 90.0 20.4 14.8 13.5 6.2 27.7 12.9 9.8 51.5. Finger Prints: 5/17 U/R 00/10 16.

Number 8 is Frank Stanley, alias Charles Goodrich, an associate of highwaymen, and deserves watching. He is believed to be now at Joplin, Mo., or vicinity. He is 28 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 130 pounds, of slender build; has light chestnut hair, light gray eyes, sandy complexion. Bertillon measurements: 71.0 70.0 88.0 18.8 14.9 13.2 5.6 25.4 11.3 9.0 46.8.



No. 8-FRANK STANLEY



No. 10-GROVER LESTER



No. 12-TONY BEAVERS

Number 9 is Roy Jones, who has returned to Joplin, Mo., after having served a jail term at Tulsa for highway robbery. He is 35 years, 5 feet 9¾ inches, 150 pounds, of medium build; has dark chestnut hair, dark maroon eyes, medium complexion. Bertillon measurements: 77.5 76.0 93.0 19.9 15.7 13.8 6.6 25.0 10.9 8.0 46.5.

Number 10 is Grover Lester, a character who can well be feared. He is 29 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 145 pounds, of slender build; has dark chestnut hair, light gray eyes, medium complexion. Lester is a cook. Bertillon measurements: 77.5 75.0 92.0 19.4 15.4 12.5 6.6 26.3 11.5 8.6 47.5.

Number 11 is E. J. Turper, alias John Page, alias Frank Conley, alias John Hatfield, a man whose criminal nature has earned him several prison terms but who can not be taught his lesson. He is now at large and society in general is in danger. He is 29 years, 5 feet 7% inches, 118 pounds, of slender build; has dark chestnut hair, of sallow complexion, has medium blue eyes. Bertillon measurements: 72.4 74.5 91.6 18.4 15.2 12.7 6.5 25.7 11.9 9.1 46.2. Finger prints: 9/1 0/0 00/00 22.



No. 13-C. C. JONES



No. 15-S. L. SCHUNEMAN

Number 12 is Tony Beavers, negro, a man who has been suspected in implicating himself in several hold ups that have been perpetrated at Tulsa, on whom, however, the police could not lay responsibility. He is to be feared. He is 30 years, 5 feet 1136 inches, 160 pounds, of slender build; has brown eyes, light brown hair; is a laborer. Bertillon measurements: 82.1 94.0 91.9 20.2 15.0 14.2 6.6 27.4 12.5 9.8 51.6

Number 13 is C. C. Jones, alias Jack Jones, a full-fledged highway robber. He is 28 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 145 pounds, of medium build; has dark chestnut hair, maroon eyes, fair complexion. He is a glazier. Bertillon measurements: 65.5 63.0 87.5 18.8 14.0 12.2 6.2 24.1 10.7 8.0 43.5.

Number 14 is Joseph Mason, a man who has a record as a hold-up robber and who at any moment may strive to operate against a bank. He is 21 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 145 pounds, of slender build; has black hair, brown eyes, medium complexion. He is a laborer by occupation. Bertillon measurements: 73.0 82.0 91.0 18.7 14.5 13.0 6.4 25.8 12.0 9.3 47.9.

Number 15 is S. L. Schuneman. This man was recently arrested in Tulsa, charged with implication in the hold up of the Peru State Bank, Peru, Kan. On his preliminary hearing, September 9, he furnished an alibi and was released. He is a brother of John Schuneman, arrested on February 11, for the hold up of the Bank of Red Fork, Red Fork, Okla. Both Schunemans are members of the now leaderless yet notorious, Henry Starr gang. S. L. Schuneman is 28 years, 6 feet, 165 pounds, of slender build; has gray eyes, brown hair, medium complexion. No Bertillon measurements



No. 14-JOSEPH MASON

#### WARNING

HENRY ASHTON, formerly of Junction City, Kan., is wanted by a local member on a charge of having swindled them in the cashing of a forged check. He is 37 years, 5 feet 10 inches, of slender build; has smooth shaven face, dark complexion, dark brown, piercing eyes.

T. J. ATWOOD, cook, is wanted by a member at Coleman, Tex., on a charge of defrauding by forgery. He is 30 to 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, extremely heavy, of light complexion. Further trace of Atwood has been lost at San Angelo. Tex.

LOUIS BEAUMEISTER, who has done bartender work in Detroit, Mich., for several years, under the pretext that he was about to start in the saloon business locally, recently secured up to \$2,400 from a Detroit bank on notes. It has been determined that the names appearing as indorsers on the notes were forged by Beaumeister.

J. K. CARNES, a private in Battery "F," 1st Illinois Artillery, and a college student of Urbana, Ill., has been drawing checks on the First National Bank, of Urbana, Ill., at San Antonio, Tex. These checks purport to be indorsed by Capt. B. W. Benedict, Battery "F," 1st Illinois Artillery, who has declared them forgeries. Since passing these checks Carnes has deserted.

M. A. CAROLL, alias John Bordon, check kiter, is still operating in the South and has recently defrauded a member of Houston, Tex., in a large amount. On August 16, as F. Bono, he opened an account with the bank and thereafter made numerous deposits of checks drawn in his favor by one Tony Herman, on the Houston National Exchange Bank, Houston. On September 8, Bono deposited a similar check in amount of \$1,100 for which he was given credit. The day following he presented a check on his account for \$1,050 and received the cash. It was then learned that Herman's account at the Houston National had become entirely exhausted. On page 35 of the September, 1916, Supplement there is published an article with handwriting of this man. He is 40 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 135 pounds, of medium build, sallow complexion; has blue eyes and light hair.

A. J. CRANE, 33, expert stenographer and all-around office man, who until September 9, was employed by the Bourne Magnetic Truck Company, Philadelphia, Pa., is now sought by our agents on a local member's charge that he has defrauded them in an extremely large amount by forging his employer's name to two checks which he cashed at their bank. Crane, who is suffering from tuberculosis, removed

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all data from the files of the concern in reference to his past. It is believed that he has gone to Denver, Colo. He is 33 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 135 pounds, of slight build, light hair and complexion, blue eyes (the latter being very clear and set far apart); has prominent ears.



J. P. DUKE

J. P. DUKE, alias Jesse Duke, has put to loss a member of Monett, Mo., in the cashing of two checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature. Duke is a contractor and carpenter, 35 to 40 years of age, 6 feet, of slim build; has long thin face and nose; is a constant cigar smoker and drinks much intoxicating liquor.

MRS. E. D. GORDON. Representing herself as Mrs. E. D. Gordon, a woman 40 years of age, on August 10 succeeded in having cashed at a Kansas City, Mo., member bank, a worthless check drawn on the Neosho Savings Bank, Neosho, Mo. She is 5 feet 6 inches, 130 pounds, of fair complexion. The writing shown is evidently in an untrue hand.

## Mrs 8. D. gordon

C. H. GRAHAM, plastering contractor, who on May 20, 1916, was arrested by our agents on behalf of a member at Montgomery, Ala., whom Graham had victimized in the cashing of a worthless check, and who was later released from custody because this bank permitted a compromise, has again taken up his swindling transactions. On August 19, he operated at Columbus, Ohio, with check on the First National Bank, Birmingham, Ala., made payable to C. H. Graham, signed Graham & Co., by W. M. Graham. He has also represented himself as O. H. Baker, of Baker Brothers,

Baker Brothers

plasterers, at Atlanta, Ga., and Memphis, Tenn. He is 35 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 145 pounds, of slender build; has dark hair, smooth shaven face.

JOE HARDIN is being sought by our agents for a member at Nowata, Okla., who alleges that he has swindled them in the selling of mortgaged property. Sheriff of Nowata holds warrant for his arrest. It is believed that he has gone to Madrid, Iowa, where his father lives.

HARRY HARRIS. A check made payable to Harry Harris and bearing the purported signature of a depositor was cashed recently by a member at St. Joseph, Mo. It developed that the depositor's signature was forged. The latter, a farmer at St. Joseph, stated that at one time he had a young man named H. Harrison working for him who would not be unlikely to commit an offense of this nature. Harrison's writing compares favorably with that of H. Harris and there is little doubt that he is the responsible one. An investigation is being made to prove this.

D. C. HESLOUP has victimized a member at Manteca, Cal., in the cashing of a check he had stolen and to which he had forged the endorsement of the proper payee. He is a Frenchman, 26 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds, black hair, combed straight back, dark eyes. He is a cook and waiter.

A. HOLMES HUBBARD, insurance solicitor, has victimized a member of Boise, Idaho, in the cashing of a bogus check drawn on the Blaine Co. Bank, Hailey, Idaho. He is 40 years, 5 feet 10 inches, of medium heavy build; is smooth shaven.

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ADAM MARKIMAS. A Sioux City, Iowa, member bank reports a loss by means of a forged check, and the arrest of Adam Markimas, alias Wm. J. Thompson, is desired in this



ADAM MARKIMAS

connection. Our detective agents are investigating the matter at this time. Markimas is a Pole and is 18 years, 5 feet 4 inches, 122 pounds; has light hair.

W. R. JOHNSON who recently came to Baltimore, Md., and secured employment as an auto mechanic and salesman with the Studebaker Auto Co., is wanted by a local member on a charge of defrauding—by worthless check. He had opened an account and overchecked it. Local members

were also defrauded by accepting his checks. He is 30 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 165 pounds. He carries a watch of which the dial is so arranged that it shows the twenty-four hours of the day.

W. R. MERIWETHER is passing worthless drafts purporting to be issued by the Bank of Herrington, Kan., on the Fidelity Trust Co., Kansas City, Mo. He has operated at Wichita and Hartshorne, Okla., at the latter place victimizing a member bank. It is believed that he is T. W. Saxon. He is 25 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds, of medium build; has brown hair and eyes, long nose and thick lips.

C. A. MORGAN. A member at Thurmont, Md., has written our agents as follows: "Replying to yours 20th inst., desire to state that a check purporting to be given by the American Life Insurance Company by J. H. Hall, Treas., drawn on the City Bank of New-York for \$650, payable to C. A. Morgan, was presented at this bank by a person representing himself to be C. A. Morgan of Gettysburg, but at the time arranging to make Thurmont his home. He stated that he desired to deposit this check for six months evidently expecting a certificate of deposit to be issued to him. Instead we entered the amount in one of the savings books.

"The check was returned, protested, marked 'Fraud', and we accordingly charged the account with the amount of the check, notifying Mr. Morgan at Gettysburg of the return of the check. We hardly expect him to call for the notice. We have learned that this same person had the same kind of a check for \$75, payable to T. A. Smith, cashed in Frederick, representing himself to be from Thurmont. Following is a description of this person: about 5 feet 8 inches, slender, about 130 pounds, light hair, neat in appearance, but in conversation did not seem bright; wore dark blue suit."

J. B. MORRIS, 30, has victimized a member of Kansas City, Mo., in the cashing of a check drawn on the City Center Bank, Kansas City, which bore a forged signature. Morris is 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds, of dark complexion; smooth shaven.

ROY NEWMANS. Purporting to be the nephew of a prominent man of San Antonio, Tex., this youth has rendered a member bank of Corpus Christi, Tex., a loser through a worthless draft. He appeared at the offices of the bank and endeavored to cash the draft, stating he was in local employ; that he was known by J. A. Alford, of Houston, Tex., an employee of the Gulf Refining Co. Later he came to the bank bringing Alford with him, who also was unknown to the bank. The bank finally cashed the draft. In the meantime, it is alleged, Alford had also swindled an attorney out of a small amount by giving him a draft on the Gulf Refining Co. with whom he represented himself to be a land agent. Newmans is 24 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 135 to 140 pounds, of dark complexion; has ruddy cheeks. Alford is 35 years, 5 feet 81/2 inches, 155 pounds; has blue eyes, fair complexion, rosy cheeks, light sandy hair.

R. M. OTIS. A member at Roberts, Idaho, reports that R. M. Otis has defrauded them through forgery. He is described as follows: Age 26 to 28 years, height 5 feet 10 inches, weight 147 pounds, build slim, thin face, aquiline nose, long upper front teeth, blue eyes, left arm amputated at shoulder, and will apply for work as a farm hand, sheep herder or cattle hand.

GEORGE E. OWENS, 26, short and slender, of fair complexion, blue eyes, light hair, has defrauded a member at Wichita Falls, Tex., by forging various checks on a law firm which employed him as stenographer. The last heard of him was that he went to either Denver, Colo., or El Paso,

Tex. His wife lives at Aberdeen, Miss. Owens has worked for several railways and law offices throughout the country. He is an expert stenographer.

CARL PAGE, employed as a farm hand at Shawnee, Kan., has succeeded in defrauding a local member by forging his employer's signature to a check which the bank readily cashed. He is 20 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 to 160 pounds; has light brown hair and blue eyes. He is a German.

OSCAR Å. PENZIEN has put to loss a bank at Oakland, Cal., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged the signature of an individual with whom he was carrying a joint account at the bank. Penzien is an expert plasterer. He has also served time in the California State Penitentiary for forgery. He is 44 years, 5 feet 8% inches, 160 pounds, of medium build, medium fair complexion and has brown hair. The California Bankers Association is working to effect his arrest.

M. I. PIERCE, who claimed to represent the Underwood Typewriter Co., has put to loss a member at Calvin, N. D., by the passing of a bogus check. A warrant is held for his arrest by the sheriff of Cavalier Co. He is 24 years, 6 feet, of dark complexion. The North Dakota Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in this investigation.

JACOB RAYVIDE, 52 years of age, who has recently been employed by the Western Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, Minn., is now wanted by a member at Minneapolis, it being alleged that he took possession of several checks made payable to his employers, forged their indorsement and cashed the checks at the bank in question. The sheriff of Hennepin Co. now holds warrant for this man's arrest. Rayvide is a good penman, a thorough business man, and well versed in books. He is 5 feet 6 inches, 170 pounds, of medium build (back slightly humped), of light complexion; has light hair mixed with gray, mustache similar color of hair.

Jacob Raypide

PAT SAUSE, an Irishman who has done railroad work in the vicinity of Deer Lodge, Mont., has put to loss a member of Lewiston, Mont., in the cashing of several checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature. Sause is about 40 years, 165 pounds, of dark complexion; has gray eyes and very noticeable and inflamed scar near his jaw.

C. H. SCHMOCK has defrauded a member at Satanta, Kan., in the cashing of a check which bore the forged signature of a depositor.

J. E. STALCUP, 52, is wanted by a member at Concordia, Kan., on a charge of swindling by mortgaging property of which he was not owner. He is 5 feet 10 inches, 170 pounds, of light complexion; has red hair, blue eyes. May wear a beard Van Dyke style.

A. C. STAPLES, 35 to 40 years of age, who claims to be interested in mining and conducts an office at Seattle, has put to loss a member of Stillwater, Minn., in the issuing of a worthless check drawn on The Northwest Trust & Safe De-

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A. C. STAPLES

posit Co., of Seattle. He is 6 feet, 190 pounds; crown of his head is quite bald; is smooth shaven. A warrant is held by the police of Stillwater, Minn., for Staples' arrest.



JOHN URBAN

JOHN URBAN, formerly financial secretary of the Polish National Alliance of America located at Ambridge, Pa., is wanted by a member bank at Ambridge, Pa. It is alleged that Urban forged an indorsement to a check which came into his possession and cashed the check at the bank. An investigation is being made to bring about his arrest. He is said to have left Ambridge with a 13-year-old girl. Urban is 24 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 130 pounds, of slender build; sallow complexion; has dark brown hair; dark lines under eyes; occasionally wears glasses. He is an Austrian Pole. The Pittsburgh office of our agents holds warrant for his arrest.

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#### COUPONS MISSING, ALSO CERTIFICATE

The Jackson City Bank, Jackson, Mich., under date of September 29, wrote us as follows: "We enclose herewith list of coupons which we have reason to believe were stolen in the recent train robbery at Dearborn, Mich. These coupons were due October 1st and were forwarded by us by registered mail to the American Exchange National Bank at New York for collection. We have notified the several paying agencies to stop payment on the same: City of Mariennette Dock & Wharf Bonds-payable at Hanover National Bank, N. Y., Nos. 71 to 100; 30 coupons @ \$20.00; Jackson Gas Co. 1st Mortgage Bonds, payable at N. Y. agency, Nos. 64-65, inclusive; 293 to 302, inclusive. 12 coupons @ \$25.00; Birmingham Ry. Light & Power Co. Bonds, payable at N. Y. Security & Trust Co., Nos. 8726-7-8, inclusive. 3 coupons @ \$22.50; Auburn & Syracuse R.R. Co., payable at N. W. Harris & Co. of N. Y., Nos. 1429-30-36-37-38, inclusive. 5 coupons @ \$25.00; Municipal Gas & Electric Co., payable at Central Trust Co., N. Y., Nos. 630-1-7-8-9, inclusive, and Nos. 1393-97-98, inclusive, 8 coupons @ \$22.50; Laclede Gas Light Company, payable at N. Y. Agency, Nos. 412-13-14-27-28-29-37-38, inclusive, 8 coupons @ \$25.00." We have also been informed that Interim Certificate No. 55 for \$10,000 bonds of the Sulberger & Sons Co., which was being forwarded to the Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y. through the National Park Bank of N. Y. for exchange for the definitive bonds of the Sulberger & Sons Co., has become lost. Should this certificate be presented at your bank, kindly wire the People's National Bank, Jackson, Mich., or the William J. Burns International Detective Agency's nearest office, at the addresses mentioned on cover page of this Supplement.

Mr. Albert Schmidt, vice-president Champion Ignition Co., Flint, Mich., reports lost or stolen certificate No. 3282 for one hundred (100) shares "United Motors" stock made out to W. N. Stafford. If an attempt is made to negotiate said certificate, notify the Champion Ignition Company.

#### STOLEN A. B. A. TRAVELERS CHECKS

Checks printed in the name of Raynor & Babb, Bankers, Homer, Ill., were stolen on August 28, 1916, from this firm of bankers, at the time their banking rooms were burglarized by a number of safe blowers. They are as follows:

- 42 \$10.00 cheques No. D-1806910 to 49, inclusive. No. D-1806958 and 59.
- 30 \$20.00 cheques No. C-1209360 to 69, inclusive. No. C-1684530 to 49, inclusive.
- 4 \$50.00 cheques No. B- 684756 to 59, inclusive.
- 9 \$100.00 cheques No. A- 233361 to 69, inclusive.

Should one or more of these checks be presented to you for payment; if by a well-known customer, question him fully and ascertain how he came in possession of same; if presented by a stranger, detain the person presenting same and notify the nearest office of this Agency by telephone or telegraph at our expense.

In the event that you are unable to detain the person, notify the nearest police officer.

#### LOST CERTIFICATES

The Marine National Bank, Wildwood, N. J., under date of September 19, wrote this department as follows:

"On May 27, 1915, we issued our certificate of deposit to Clara S. Mindil, for \$6,700; on September 22, 1915, we

issued No. 273, for \$600; on October 2, we issued No. 281 for \$300, all to the same party.

"We are advised by Mrs. Mindil that these certificates were shipped by Adams Express from Philadelphia to Wildwood sometime during the early spring, in a bundle of merchandise and that the bundle together with the certificates has been lost. I think it would be well to mention the loss in the next issue of the JOURNAL."

Members will please note.

forged checks in his possession and numerous blank checks. He boasted that he was an expert penman and could imitate any handwriting if given a few minutes to practice. He will be returned to McFarland, Cal., to stand trial. Our detective agents in making this arrest, were acting for the California Bankers Association, Armstrong having defrauded a member of that Association. Armstrong is 34 years, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, 140 pounds, of medium heavy build; has brown eyes, an unusually long and sharp nose.

#### STOLEN CHECKS

A member bank at Neodesha, Kan., reports that Prairie Pipe Line Company blank checks No. 3200 to No. 3299, inclusive, drawn on the First National Bank at Neodesha, were stolen during the month of August and are being cashed throughout Oklahoma by a man signing the names James Casey and James Markham.

#### **NEW COUNTERFEITS**

#### \$1 Silver Certificate

Series 1899; check letter "D"; J. C. Napier, Register of the Treasury; Lee McClung, Treasurer of the United States; portraits of Lincoln and Grant.

This counterfeit is printed from photo-etched plates, which have been crudely retouched, on poor quality paper, with black ink lines on the face and green lines on the back in imitation of the silk fiber of the genuine. The face of this counterfeit is particularly poor. The figures in the Treasury numbers are too large, too heavy, and poorly formed. The back of the bill is more deceptive than the face.

#### \$10 Gold Certificate

Series 1907; check letter "A"; Gabe E. Parker, Register of the Treasury; John Burke, Treasurer of the United States; portrait of Michael Hillegas.

This counterfeit is a photograph printed on two pieces of paper, without silk threads. The number of the specimen at hand, and which no doubt will appear on all these counterfeits, is E18886981. Yellow coloring has been applied to the seal and large numeral on the face of the bill and over the printed portion of back of note. It should be readily detected.

#### GENERAL

L. A. ADAMS, has passed a bogus check at Ambrose, N. D., drawn on the Security State Bank, Flaxville, Mont. He is a cook.

ROBERT ARMSTRONG, alias Roy Armstrong, alias "Shorty" alias "Bob the Penman," was taken into custody in Los Angeles, Cal., on September 9, 1916, by our agants and the local police, for a member at McFarland, Cal., whom Armstrong had victimized in the cashing of a forged check. When booked at the police jail, Armstrong had several



RUSSELL P. BAUER

RUSSELL P. BAUER, alias Richard L. Lersner, was on September 23, taken into custody in New York City by our agents and the local police after he had attempted to pass a bogus check against a hotel. When pressed, Bauer admitted that he had also victimized two New York hotels in the cashing of similar checks. He was held under \$500 bond. A warrant for his arrest charging him with a \$200 check swindle was then received from the police of Camden, N. J. Bauer is 22 years, 5 feet 9% inches, 160 pounds, of medium build, has blue eyes, light complexion, light chestnut hair. Bertillon measurements: 77.5 80.0 93.1 19.7 15.6 6.3 26.5 11.5 8.8 47.5.

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R. O. DE CROW is drawing bogus checks against the Anchor Savings Bank, and the Bank of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa., N. A., and the National Bank of Commerce, Cleveland, Ohio.

RAYMOND FUSION, of Moweaqua, Ill., is alleged to have forged his uncle's name to a note on a Logansport, Ind., member, and failed to pay when the note came due.

FRANK M. GLYNN, alias F. Gaffney, 26, a chauffeur, who has operated in San Francisco, Cal., with bogus checks, was on September 4, arrested by the police of that city.

GIDEON GRANGER is alleged to have put to loss a hotel at Corning, Cal., in the cashing of a check on the United National Bank (non-existent), New York, N. Y.

WILLIAM H. HARRINGTON, 27, has passed a worthless check at Alton, Ill., drawn on the Alton Banking & Trust

W. HARRIS. The First National Bank, Cheboygan, Mich., has advised that a swindler is cashing throughout Michigan checks drawn against their bank, signed Geo. McClain & Son, made payable to W. Harris, W. Harrison, etc. The checks are lithographed, safety tint, pocket size.

C. F. HUSTON has issued to a member of Nevada, Mo., a bogus check on the Exchange State Bank, Parsons. Kan,



VANNIE KOHLER

VANNIE KOHLER was arrested in Evansville, Ind., on September 13, charged with passing forged checks. On September 15, he was sentenced to from 2 to 14 years in the Indiana State Prison, Jeffersonville, Ind. This institution is desirous of learning any record Kohler may have. He is 28 years, 5 feet 87\(\xi\) inches, 161 pounds, of fair complexion, medium chestnut hair, has blue eyes, sandy beard; is a mechanic. Bertillon measurements: 75.0 80.0 90.1 19.4 15.3 6.4 13.5 27.2 11.8 9.0 47.7. Finger prints: 1/1 Aa/R 6.

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WILLIAM LODTMAN, alias Dr. Lodtman, alias Lansing, Frawley, etc., who has a long criminal record as a bogus check operator, and who was recently released from prison, has again taken up his swindling operations and on September 19 cashed a bogus check in New York City, drawn on the Merchants National Bank, Detroit, Mich. Lodtman works against merchants. He is 69 years, 6 feet 2 inches, 199 pounds, of good build, light complexion; has gray hair and blue eyes. Journal-Bulletin, December, 1913, page 444.



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C. McCANN, 50, has issued several worthless checks at Hutchinson, Kan., on the Nickerson State Bank, Nickerson, Kan. He is a laborer.

WM. N. McMILLEN. A check on the original form of the Central National Bank, Cleveland, Ohio, made payable to the order of Wm. N. McMillen, signed "The Encylopedia Britannica Co., J. C. Bond, Manager," was eashed at Huntington, W. Va., on August 26. This Company does not carry an account in the Central National Bank and the words, "The Encylopedia Britannica Co., J. C. Bond, Manager," were evidently printed in by the operator.

H. B. MILLER. The Farmers & Mechanics National Bank, Parkersburg, W. Va., has advised that one H. B. Miller is forging the signature of C. F. Kramer to the Parkersburg Junk Co.'s checks. It is alleged that he stole a number of these checks and has operated in Weston, Clarksburg and Parkersburg.

G. C. MONFORT, alias Gibb, 60, recently released from the Indiana State Penitentiary, is issuing bogus checks throughout Indiana drawn on a bank at Greencastle.

THURSIA MUNSEY is alleged to have passed a bogus check at Barnes, Kan., drawn on the Commercial State Bank, Cawker City, Kan.

HARRY C. NORRIS, alias Harry E. Noble, alias Henry A. Nable, alias Henry A. Nagle, 38, on September 9 passed a forged certified check at Jenkintown, Pa., drawn on the Franklin National Bank of Philadelphia. This in payment of a Dodge automobile. He was accompanied at the time by his alleged wife and an eight year old boy.



DR. C. S. RICHARDS

DR. C. S. RICHARDS was paroled from the Nevada State Penitentiary on April 11, 1916, he having been sentenced to that institution from Clark County, Nevada, on October 17, 1914, for a term 3½ to \$\frac{1}{2}\$ years for passing fictitious checks. He immediately began passing fictitious checks and on August 31, 1916, was arrested for this same offense at Truckee, Cal., and was on September 3, 1916, returned to serve the unfinished part of his term in the Nevada State Penitentiary. He is 49 years, 5 feet 9½ inches, 213 pounds, of stout build; has dark blue eyes, brown hair, ruddy complexion. Bertillon measurements: 76.6 80.0 95.7 18.9 15.7 14.4 6.8 28.6 11.9 9.4 45.7. Finger prints: 27/32 II/00 19.

R. B. RYAN, 32, who represents himself as an inspector for the American Express Company out of Kansas City,

Mo., and has operated throughout Missouri and Illinois with bogus checks on the National Bank of Commerce, St. Louis, Mo., was recently arrested at Chicago and returned to St. Louis.

A. M. TAYLOR, M. D., alias R. G. Proctor. A bogus check on the First National Bank, Summit, N. J., signed A. M. Taylor, M. D., has been cashed by a merchant of Washington, D. C.

W. G. WAMPLER, civil engineer, whose home is at Knoxville, Tenn., is drawing worthless checks against the Holston National Bank, Knoxville, Tenn. St. Louis and vicinity has been his operating grounds.

LOU C. WERTHEIMER, 27, formerly connected with the Modern Tailoring Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, is drawing worthless checks on the Farmers State Bank, Lawrenceville, Ill. He has operated at Harrisburg and Carbondale, Ill.

CHARLES E. WHITE, alias Jack Bailey, 30, has cashed several checks in Kansas bearing the forged signature of the Beebe Construction Co., for whom he claimed to work.

LARNEY B. WILLIAMSON, 26, who represented himself as a wealthy cattleman from the southern border, on September 14, fell into the hands of the police at Kansas City, Mo., after he had attempted to swindle a local automobile dealer and a real estate agent in the issuing of worthless drafts on the First National Bank, El Paso, Tex. He told the individuals he approached that his wife had grown nervous at the border trouble and had urged a change to Kansas City. It was accepted as true. Because precautions were made williamson's game was rendered fruitless at the very moment on which a large roll of unearned funds were about to come into his possession. He has pleaded insanity and it is believed he will be released. He is 5 feet 10 or 11 inches, 160 pounds, of slender build, medium complexion, has brown eyes and dark hair.

L B. Willemson

A. L. WILSON, alias J. A. Whitely has operated recently with bogus cashier's drafts in the vicinity of Sturgeon Bay, Wis. They are drawn on the Farmers & Merchants Bank (non-existent), Sapulpa, Okla., to the National Bank of Commerce (non-existent), Kansas City, Mo. They are printed on a yellow paper and bear a picture of the alleged Farmers Bank. He is now using the alias of G. L. Wilson.

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#### ARRESTED

#### QUICK RESULTS FOLLOW HOLD-UP

Individual who robbed San Francisco bank of \$8,159.10 is captured less than an hour after committing crime

EDWARD VON WALDEN, alias Jack Evans, forced the surrender of \$8,159.10, by the Mission Branch, Anglo California Trust Co., San Francisco, Cal. Von Walden had driven up to the bank in an auto which he had hired for the purpose and ordered the chauffeur to await his return. When the teller gazed up at Von Walden he found himself the target of the newcomer's revolver. Von Walden left the bank with \$8,159.10. The robber stopped to pick up several coins that had fallen to the floor, then told the chauffeur to try for a new record. A bullet from the bank man's rifle missed its mark. Though it had failed to reach one target yet it had not failed of another. It told the chauffeur, a conscientious and respected resident of the city, that his passenger had committed a serious crime while in the bank. Von Walden was a stranger in the city. He did not know where he was being driven—but it was fast—and away from the bank. So he



EDWARD VON WALDEN

offered no objections to the course. The chauffeur drove the car into some bushes not many yards away from the police station, and sped afoot to the latter place to shout for aid. A moment later Von Walden was captured. His pockets contained \$7,629.10, the remaining \$530 evidently having been lost in the shuffle. Von Walden admitted that he is an escaped convict from the Michigan State Prison having been sent up for a similar deed. Bail was set at \$20,000 bond or \$10,000 cash, but was not met. He is 23 years, 5 feet 11½ inches, 139 pounds, of slender build; has medium chestnut hair, blue eyes. Bertillon measurements: 81.2 87.0 98.0 19.7 14.2 13.7 6.4 27.3 12.4 9.6 47.7. Finger prints: 27/28 IM/00 15.

#### DOCTOR WAS A FORGER

Individual who mingled with physicians of south proves himself forger and swindler of high calibre

DR. A. H. KAHN, alias Dr. J. A. Meyer, alias Dr. W. P. Alexander, the man who, during the month of August, victimized a member at Birmingham, Ala., and several hotels in the south by passing forged checks, is under arrest. Kahn is a pleasant and well spoken fellow and when he approached the doctors and intimated that he was in the public health service, they readily sought a firmer acquaintance with him. And that was Kahn's ambition for it permitted him to mingle with them, to learn of their financial standing, to steal their checks and forge their signatures. On August 28, our agents located Kahn at a clinic of New Orleans, La., where he was assisting a doctor during an operation. They waited until this work was done and then pointed him out to the city



DR. A. H. KAHN

police who immediately made the arrest. Kahn broke down, confessed his guilt and signified a willingness to return to Birmingham. He is 28 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 125 to 135 pounds, of medium build, dark complexion; has dark eyes, dark bushy hair parted on right side. Is a Jew and at times wears tortoise-shell rimmed glasses. No Bertillon measurements available.



ROY CAUDLE, 18, who victimized a member of Woodbine, Kan., in the raising of a \$13.25 check to read \$113.25 and subsequent cashing of same, was on September 7, arrested at Norwood, Mo., by our agents and local deputy sheriff. He is 5 feet 6 inches, of medium build; has dark eyes and hair.



GEORGE COLE

GEORGE COLE, 27, while employed as a miner at Bozeman, Mont., recently was paid by check for certain services he had performed. The check was made out in amount of \$6.75. He raised it to read \$60.75, then presented it at a bank at Bozeman. Observing that it had been tampered with and undoubtedly raised, the cashier took his phone in hand to call the employer, when Cole sped from the bank. The cashier followed and with the assistance of a local deputy sheriff, Cole was captured. He is 5 feet 9½ inches, 143 pounds, of medium build; has light hair. Bertillon measurements: 76.2 76.0 93.3 19.1 14.4 13.2 6.1 26.4 11.7 9.4 47.3. Finger prints: 1/17 0/0 00/00 16.

DR. H. J. DORST, on July 31 victimized a member at Patoka, Ill., by having them cash for him a bogus check drawn on the Marion Bank, Marion, Ky. This man is a native of Eureka, Ill., and was on August 26 arrested by the police of St. Louis, Mo., on a charge of endeavoring to secure money on a bogus check. Dr. Dorst has used among other names, J. Simon and W. S. Lang, in his operations. His operations have



DR. H. J. DORST

been previously reported in these columns, February, 1915, page 587, being the last note. He is 38 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 155 pounds, has decided limp in the right leg; has represented himself as a doctor, making a specialty of attending to club feet and deformed limbs.



PHILLIP GREENBERG, alias F. S. Flick, was recently arrested at Akron, Ohio, by our agents as the operator who victimized a member at Cleveland, Ohio, in the cashing of a bogus check. The bank has signified its intention of punishing Greenberg.



JOHN L. JESSUP

JOHN L. JESSUP, former employee of the Empire Life Insurance Co., Atlanta, Ga., and the Amicable Life Insurance Co., Waco, Tex., who, on August 19, succeeded in victimizing a member at Portland, Ore., in passing a bogus check on the United States National Bank, Los Angeles, Cal., which he had left for deposit, was, on August 24, arrested at Sacramento, Cal., by our agents and the local police. He is known also as Edward Lee Brawner, S. E. Tasker, C. C. Baty, James

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Stout Stanley, J. S. Banks and J. D. Baker. He is 43 years, 6 feet ½ inch, 129 pounds, of slim build; has brown hair, medium dark complexion; born in Georgia. Bertillon measurements: 87.0 80.0 95.6 19.5x 16.5 14.7 7.1 27.4 11.7 9.1 49.5. Finger prints: 1/1 R/R II/II 2. The Oregon Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in this case.

NORVAL S. KING who, on August 14, held up and robbed of \$400 a member bank at Englewood, Colo., was one day later taken into custody by the local authorities. He is an ex-convict, 41 years, 6 feet ½ inch, 146 pounds, of medium build, florid complexion.

FANNIE LANGNER. A member bank at Cleveland, Ohio, recently reported to our detective representatives that they sustained a loss of \$500 on a check made payable to a man in Akron, Ohio, drawn on a bank in Duluth, Minn.

The check was stolen by one Mollie Langner and the indorsement forged, then given to her daughter, who had a savings account at the bank, to cash. Upon receipt of the cash on the check, the savings account was withdrawn and the mother and daughter left the city.

On August 29, the daughter Fannie Langner, was arrested in Cleveland, by the local authorities. A search is being conducted for her mother.



EDWARD V. MURPHY

EDWARD V. MURPHY, who is mentioned on page 152 of the April, 1916, Supplement as being wanted at Washington, D. C., on a member's warrant charging, and who has operated also throughout Pennsylvania, Illinois, Rhode Island and Missouri, has been located by our agents in the Blackwells Island Penitentiary, New York, N. Y. He was sentenced there on July 19, for forging a money order, term expiring in October. He is known also as Edward V. Barrington, Leroy Vassar, Edward Murphy, Edward Pickett, Edward Conroy, William Carr and Edward V. Mooney. He is a jockey, 23 years old, 5 feet 2% inches, 108 pounds, of slight build. Bertillon measurements: 59.9 55.0 87.0 18.3 14.9 12.3 6.0 23.5 10.4 8.4 41.4.

JOHN H. REDMAN, aliases Stanley Morgan, A. D. Redman, John Harris, etc., whose photograph is shown on page 23 of the August, 1916, Supplement, mentioned as having defrauded a member at Tipton, Ind., in the cashing of a forged check, was, on September 15, arrested at Indianapolis, Ind., by our agents and the local police.

F. L. RENDERKANECHT, alias F. L. Hamilton, member of Company L, 20th Infantry, U. S. A., stationed at El Paso, Tex., was arrested on September 8, at El Paso by the local police. An El Paso member identified this man as the one who several weeks previous had defrauded them in the

cashing of a bogus check. He has been delivered to the civil authorities for their action.

LOUIS RUBENSTEIN, alias John Lafferty, who has victimized a member at Spokane, Wash., in the cashing of a bogus check was, on September 8, arrested at Spokane while endeavoring to cash a similar bogus check in a local store. He is 20 years, 5 feet 2 inches, 100 pounds, of slender build, of dark complexion. Is a newsboy by occupation and is addicted to the use of morphine.



A. B. SMITH

A. B. SMITH, aliases George A. Bonelli, Dashley, Boyd, Ashley, etc., who has put to loss a member at Livingston, Cal., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature, was on August 25, arrested at Reno, Nev. by the local police. He has been returned to Las Cruces, N. M., for trial on the charge of having murdered a sheriff of Deming, N. M. Smith is a real estate agent, 48 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 175 pounds, has small brown eyes, dark brown hair.

C. J. SMITH, 28, was on September 9, arrested by the police of Akron, Ohio, on a local member's charge that he had swindled them out of a large sum of money in raising and cashing certain checks which had been given to him by his employers Clemmer & Johnson, contracting firm of Akron. Smith confessed. On September 15, Pat J. O'Neil, alias Forrest Paige, a companion of Smith and fellow employee, was arrested by the police of Akron for having successfully passed upon this same member a check to which he had cleverly forged the signature of Clemmer & Johnson. These men are held awaiting trial.

GEORGE TROWBRIDGE, of Crosby, N. D., has been arrested by the authorities on a local member's complaint that he passed a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor upon them. Trowbridge has held that the check was given to him by one P. Anderson, but is unable to produce the latter or point him out to police officers.

MILTON SPEERS, negro, who with a white man held up and robbed the Bank of Crowder, Okla., of \$1,162 on August 17, was on the same day captured by a posse headed by the sheriff of Crowder. This arrest is due to the fact that the bank had a telephone installed in its vault, for when the cashier was forced into its interior by the two hold-up men he immediately warned the town by phone. The other man in the hold up was Bill Tidwell whose photograph is inserted herewith. He remains still uncaptured. He is 34 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 132 pounds, of medium build, dark complexion,



BILL TIDWELL

has black and gray hair, brown eyes. Tidwell is a tailor by occupation and a native of Texas. Bertillon measurements: 68.5 71.0 88.7 19.0 14.9 14.0 6.4 24.3 10.8 8.1 44.4. Finger prints: 1/1 R/R II/IO 12.

#### CONVICTED

GEORGE COLE, raised check, August 5, 12 to 18 months, Montana State Penitentiary.

MAX GREEN, worthless draft, released; case disposed of by his being fined by county.

LOVERN J. HERRIFF, alias Leonard J. Clark, alias Mayo, forgery, returned to Illinois State Penitentiary to complete a term of 5 to 8 years.

DR. A. H. KAHN, alias Dr. J. A. Meyer, forger, September 7, 2 years, Alabama State Penitentiary.

FANNIE LANGNER, swindle, September 1, Cleveland, Ohio, Detention Home for Girls, for not less than 6 months.

HERBERT E. MORRILL, bogus check, 7 years, Wisconsin State Prison. Immediately placed upon probation.

 $\mathbf{H}.$  L. NEEL, forgery, 1 year, Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

FRED W. REED, forgeries, August 16, 2 months, Charles Street Jail, Boston, Mass. Charge of breaking and entering.

HARRY W. ROSENE, bogus checks, Minnesota State Reformatory, indeterminate term.

CHARLES SEILER, forgery, suspended sentence.

T. W. SPAULDING, worthless checks, September 12, 1 year, Oakland, Cal., jail.

WILLIS EDGAR TURNER, alias W. B. Haney, alias Harry Devine, worthless checks, August 15, 2 years, San Quentin, Cal.

EDWARD E. WILLIAMS, worthless checks, September 15, 3 years, San Quentin, Cal.

#### RELEASED

EARL J. BROWN, alias J. G. Reed, released; he paid expenses of court and returned amount secured on check to defrauded bank. This at discretion of county attorney.

MRS. KATE BURT, aliases Hayes, Moran, Burk, etc., forgery, released; insufficient evidence to convict.

AUGUST HYEDO, forged check, September 9, released; case dismissed.

F. B. SPORKS, swindle, released; could not secure services of important witnesses, case dismissed.

#### **ESCAPED**

U. H. MORGAN, alias W. H. Moore, worthless drafts, escaped jail at Cordell, Okla., on August 24.

#### AWAITING ACTION

#### ALLEGED FORGERS AND SWINDLERS

Amato, Bruna, forgery, Richfield Springs, N. Y. Baldwin, John D., forgery, Chicago, Ill. Bishop, James G., forgery, New Haven, Conn. Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass Boland, James M., bogus check, Hudson Falls, N. Y. Brant, George T., forgery, Portland, Ore. Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal. Busby, Joe, mortgage swindle, Claremore, Okla. Butts, D. W., forgery, Van Nuys, Cal. Calder, William H., forgery, New York, N. Y. Calleris, John, swindle, Lexington, Ky. Cameron, Earl L., forgery, Goldendale, Wash. Campbell, Roy M., worthless check, Kansas City, Mo. Caudle, Roy, raised check, Woodbine, Kan. Clark, Josephine, forgery, Philadelphia, Pa. Clark, W. E., forgery, Kansas City, Mo. Coleman, Daniel, worthless check, Los Gatos, Cal. Cox, Lucile, forgery, Fort Worth, Tex. Cragin, George H., forgery, Boston, Mass. Davis, Arthur, forgery, San Francisco, Cal. Davis, Everett J., forgery, Watertown, N. Y. Dillon, C. E., bogus checks, Tyler, Minn. Dodson, C. L., forgery, Boston, Mass. Dorst, Dr. H. J., bogus check, Patoka, Ill. Dryden, Harry W., forgery, Portland, Ore. Early, Thomas E., forgery, Chicago, Ill. Fox, Harry, bogus check, Lynchburg, Va. Frey, Sam, forgery, Collinsville, Okla. Genebis, Frank, bogus checks, San Pedro, Cal. Gray, Sandy, forgery, Forest City, N. C. Greenberg, Phillip, bogus check, Cleveland, Ohio. Hadley, Albert, forgery, Eugene, Ore. Hannegan, James J., forgery, Corvallis, Ore. Hardy, W. J., swindle, Portland, Ore. Harris, Louis J., forgery, Pittsburg, Cal. Haynie, B. P., worthless check, Houston, Tex. Holden, A. F., worthless check, Atchison, Kan. Holmes, J. V., forgery, Deland, Fla. Jessup, John L., bogus check, Portland, Ore. Johnson, Clark, forgery, Canton, Miss. Jones, Mary, forgery, Galveston, Tex. Keefe, Ned, forgery, Smethport, Pa. Keltner, Tom, forgery, Fayetteville, Tenn. Kurz, Otto, mortgage swindle, Tulsa, Okla. Le Strange, Augustus, forgery, New York, N. Y. Loehrs, Bernard, bogus check, Asbury Park, N. J. Lowe, Alfred, forgery, Baileyton, Tenn. McConnell, Ruel T., worthless drafts, Hattiesburg, Miss. McElroy, Lethel, forgery, Birmingham, Ala. Mangold, Joseph, forged stock, New York, N. Y. Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark.

Mayes, J. S., worthless check, Daytona Beach, Fla. Metzgar, H. R., forgery, New Hartford, Ia. Miller, George, forgery, Ithaca, N. Y. Moore, Michael, forgery, New York, N. Y. Morris, David T., forgery, Detroit, Mich. Murphy, Edward V., forgery, Washington, D. C. O'Neil, Pat J., forgery, Livingston, Cal. Osborne, Clarence, forgery, Pendleton, Ore. Owens, Charles, forgery, Harrisburg, Ill. Powell, Sonney, forgery, Oilton, Okla. Randall, Thomas M., bogus checks, Calexico, Cal. Redman, John H., forgery, Tipton, Ind. Renderkanecht, F. L., bogus check, El Paso, Tex. Rice, Gerald A., swindle, Billings, Mont. Rice, Mrs. Gerald A., swindle, Billings, Mont. Richardson, F. L., forgery, Boston, Mass. Riche, A. L., swindle, Boston, Mass Roberts, W. W., swindle, Maysville, Mo. Robinson, Jeff, forgery, Collinsville, Okla. Roeder, Albert, forgery, Boston, Mass. Rosenberg, I., forgery, Bandon, Ore. Rubenstein, Louis, bogus check, Spokane, Wash. Rudd, Harry, forgery, Jackson, Miss. Rueben, Sol, bogus checks, San Pedro, Cal. Sanders, Mrs. S. D., swindle, Baker, Ore. Scott, John, forgery, South Jacksonville, Fla. Settle, William, forgery, Pendleton, Ore. Skaggs, Charles H., swindle, Friars Point, Miss. Skillman, Harry, swindle, Silver Springs, N. Y. Smith, A. B., forgery, Livingston, Cal. Smith, C. J., raised checks, Akron, Ohio. Smith, Charles S., forgery, Terre Haute, Ind. Socwell, Wm. H., swindle, Jacksonville, Fla. Stanford, R. E., forgery, Catoosa, Okla Stevens, George S., forgery, Boston, Mass. Stinnette, Estline, forgery, Galveston, Tex. Storey, Luther, forgery, New Orleans, La. Strozier, Will, forgery, Tulsa, Okla. Thompson, J., bogus check, Galveston, Tex. Tiley, E. L., bogus check, Cincinnati, Ohio. Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont. Trowbridge, George, forgery, Crosby, N. D.

Williams, Albertha, forgery, Jackson, Miss. Williams, Jack, forgery, Kansas City, Mo. Wright, Will E., forgery, Houston, Tex.

#### BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Ashley, John, hold up, Stuart, Fla. Ballew, Barney, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan. Berri, Jack, hold up, Neck City, Mo. Carsen, Grady, hold up, Heavener, Okla. Culver, Edward, hold up, Vian. Okla. Downing, H. L., attempted robbery, Curwensville, Pa. Evans, Ralph, hold up. Jarbalo, Kan. Johnson, Charles H., hold up, Stroud, Okla. Letterman, F. A., hold up, Red Fork, Okla. King, Norval S., hold up, Englewood, Colo. Mulkey, Frank, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan. Payne, W. M., hold up, Vian, Okla. Schuneman, John, hold up, Red Fork, Okla. Smith, Frank, hold up, Heavener, Okla. Speers, Milton, hold up, Crowder, Okla. Trowbridge, Bertha, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan. Von Walden, Edward, hold up, San Francisco, Cal.

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2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined: or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon others than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

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### OCTOBER PROTECTIVE WORK

#### KITERS THRIVE ON BANKS' NEGLECT

Because banks are failing to investigate standing of everyone who opens an account whether it be with cash or not, check-kiting is flourishing to-day

Another bank has become the victim of check kiters. This time at Camden, N. J., D. WERNER opened an account with a bank on September 21 with \$50 cash. A. B. FELD-MAN opened an account of \$95 cash on September 22 in a bank at Philadelphia, Pa. The men were not asked for references, their standing was not investigated. They immediately proceeded to make out checks in small amounts payable to each other which were deposited and of course paid. Finally Werner produced a check made payable to his order on the Philadelphia bank signed by Feldman which was of much larger amount than usual. The Camden bank placed it on deposit. Werner then made out a personal check for an amount that totaled his funds on deposit and

### B. Feldman D. Werney

the amount of the last check. He was immediately given the cash. This check was returned by the Philadelphia bank with the statement that Feldman had withdrawn his account with exception of a few cents. A search for Feldman was made without avail. Werner had also disappeared. They were richer in a large sum of money. Had these two banks investigated these men when they opened the accounts, one of them would not be a victim today. They would have found that the men could not produce good references and that the addresses which they gave were fictitious ones. The opening of an account in cash had appealed to them to such an extent that they did not question the men in the least. Checktiting will continue to flourish while banks continue in this neglect. Feldman is 45 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 160 to 170

pounds of stocky build, has dark hair and eyes, full round face, smooth shaven, a pronounced Hebrew accent. Werner is a Hebrew, 35 to 40 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 to 145 pounds, of dark complexion; has a small brown mustache.

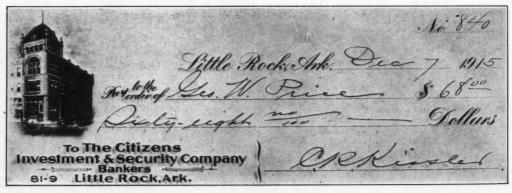
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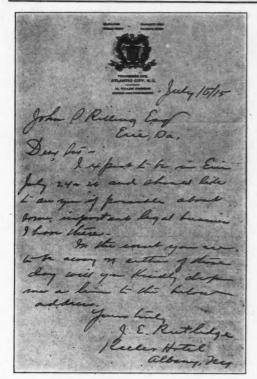
Clever forger continues in his bank swindling crusade and meets with marked successes

One of the cleverest and most successful forgers operating against banks today is a man whose identity we have been unable to establish but whose handwriting remains so unchangeable that we readily recognize his checks whenever they come before us. This is how he operates: He will write to a minister, attorney, or business man of your town and his letter will be such that an answer will be forthcoming. That's all he wants-the signature of a responsible party. Shortly thereafter he appears in your town and extends a check on a distant bank, which bears the indorsement of the minister. or the attorney, or the business man. You consider the indorsement a true one but the man is a stranger and you prefer to safeguard yourself. So you take your phone in hand with intentions of communicating with the indorser with regard to the check. "There's no use telephoning to him," interrupts the man at the window, "he 's not at home. He would have come here to identify me but he had an important engagement. He thought his indorsement would be enough." You desist and ponder. The check presenter is talking to you so steadily that you can't place your mind on

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(Forged Indorsement on Back of Check)





the check. Finally you consider the favor you would be doing the indorser-you are mechanically counting out the cash and handing it to the stranger. Later you are notified by the bank upon whom the check is drawn that it is bogus. You at once notify the minister or the business man of this and he promptly declares that he did not indorse the check for the man in question. You are the victim. The indorsement is a remarkable imitation of the original signature. We reproduce a check bearing this forger's penmanship, also one of his letters. He is 40 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 175 pounds, of medium build, dark complexion; has brown hair, appearance of a trayeling man. He recently operated at Clarksville, Tenn., and Fairmont, W. Va. He never gives the same name twice and we know him as having used the following aliases: R. A. Blanchard, E. F. Harlow, A. W. Horning, R. M. Flesher, A. W. Northrup.

#### DEFRAUDS THREE SEATTLE BANKS

After opening cash accounts Arthur Schultz deposits and draws against forged checks of Seattle concern

A vigilant search is being conducted in the northwest for one Arthur Schultz, 25, who during the month past succeeded in victimizing three Seattle, Wash., member banks. This man opened cash accounts in the banks and when he believed the latter had established a confidence in him, he produced checks of Burke & Farrer, a real estate and investment company of Seattle, which purported to be signed by the controlling officials. The banks readily allowed him to draw against them in large amounts. The checks were pure forgeries. He is 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds, of medium slender build, light complexion and hair; his cheeks are flushed; he has the appearance of a German but speaks excellent English.

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#### FAILED TO INVESTIGATE INDORSEMENT

Parkersburg bank accepts note because name of responsible local party is affixed to it. Waits three months to learn indorsement is a forgery

We are aware of numerous banks that have been swindled recently on notes which purported to be indorsed by responsible local individuals. The possibility has never occurred to them that the indorsements might be forgeries and that they should investigate this. They had gone ahead and paid the notes and at the end of three or four months when they became due they learned that the indorsements were forged. Where were the offenders by that time? Give a man this length of time and he can cover up his trail to such a degree that it will be absolutely impossible to bring success to pursuit. Had these members communicated with the indorser at the time these notes were made out they would have prevented a loss or at least given our agents an early start in the chase. James M. Wright, alias Samuel Stout, has victimized a member at Parkersburg, W. Va., by a note to which he had forged the indorsements of two local individuals. Our agents are making a diligent search for Wright alias Stout but they have not as yet overcome a four months' lead that the bank gave Wright. He is 25 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 170 pounds, of medium build, ruddy complexion; has blue eyes, auburn hair; wears glasses with heavy lenses; has scar extending over left evebrow about two inches toward top of forehead.

Mr. Jos M. Wright.

#### FORGER RETURNS TO SOUTH

Individual who presents forged letter of identification of coast bank, also bank book with cancelled checks, has returned to the South

In the September Supplement we notified banks on the Pacific Coast that a forger was passing among them—that he used the names of Chares E. Munson and John W. Pearce and claimed to be in the real estate or contracting business. He has now made an appearance at Dallas, Tex., under the name Willard J. Blesdo, where he succeeded in defrauding a member. He presented a draft of the California National Bank, Sacramento, Cal., on the National Park Bank, New York, N. Y., exhibiting a letter purporting to be signed by the cashier of the Sacramento bank, which stated that Blesdo has been a customer of their bank and that any drafts or checks he wished cashed should be honored. He produced for

John W. Pearce

inspection an identification card and a bank book with numerous cancelled checks. His draft and letter are forgeries. The operator is 45 to 50 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds, of medium build; has dark hair and complexion.

#### FORGED PARTNER'S SIGNATURE

Secures \$425 from Philadelphia bank on check on which he had inscribed his partner's name. The bank is

Agreeing that all checks drawn must bear the true signature of Arthur Sanden, Pres., and D. Norman Sharpe, Treas., two men of these names opened an account in the name of the Lincoln Contracting Company at a member bank at Philadelphia, Pa., during the month of August. Time must have blotted the memory of this agreement from the mind of Arthur Sanden, for on September 27 he presented a check at the bank for \$425, signed in his name and that of the Treasurer, which the bank paid and which was later censured by Sharpe as bearing his forged signature. Sharpe at once swore to an affidavit to this effect. Sanden had committed the forgery and the bank became the sufferer. The missing official is 45 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 175 pounds, of medium build; has dark complexion, dark eyes, a sharp nose, a large scar under left chin. Is smooth shaven.

#### DRAFTS PRINTED WITHOUT AUTHORITY

Citizens National Bank, Salmon, Idaho, advises of unknown individual who has 1,000 blank drafts printed

The reproduction is of a draft which a man had printed at Butte, Mont., recently. He ordered one thousand made. The Citizens National Bank, Salmon, Idaho, is not able to identify this unauthorized man from the description given by the printer. It is evident that he is contemplating a swindling tour. His right hand is minus its fingers; he is 5 feet 7 inches high and of light complexion.



PAT J. O'NEIL

#### DO YOU KNOW THESE MEN?

Men arrested at Akron for the forging and raising of many checks are believed to be wanted elsewhere

Do the faces of these men look familiar to you? Can you identify them as individuals who have at any time in the past



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been implicated in any unlawful transactions, or who have criminal records? They were arrested at Akron, Ohio, during September for having put to loss a local member in the cashing of checks to which they had either forged their employers' signatures, Clemmer & Johnson, contracting firm, of Akron, Ohio, or raised the checks from their original amounts, and are now awaiting trial. The very clever manner in which these fellows conducted this swindle, and their actions after arrest, have led our detective agents to believe that the men may be old offenders or at present wanted in other parts for similar offenses. Advise us if you can identify them in any way. Smith is 28 years, 5 feet 9½ inches, 180 pounds, of stout build, has brown hair, brown eyes, and a protruding abdomen. O'Neil is 31 years, 5 feet 9½ inches, 187 pounds, of stout build, has light complexion, blonde hair, blue eyes.

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#### FORMER BANK PRESIDENT SOUGHT

Warrant is held for man who conducted Indiana bank later closed by State department

There is a warrant issued for the arrest of Ross M. Logan who sometime ago acted as president of the First State Bank of Griffith, Griffith, Ind., When the bank was closed by the state banking department, Logan was not to be found. A bonding and surety company at Chicago, Ill., had become surety for him. By recent information it is learned that Logan has recently been in three cities of Texas, and in one of these cities had been employed as a bank cashier for a short time. Logan is 33 years, 6 feet, 150 pounds, of dark complexion; has gray eyes, dark hair, a large mole on right hip. Look out for this man should he seek employment under his own or any other name at any bank.

#### OFFICE BOYS BEAR WATCHING

Past month's records show several attacks perpetrated against banks by boys in their teens

Within the past month in the city of New York alone five boys have been held for attempting to pass forged checks. In one case an office boy sixteen years of age cleverly forged his employer's signature to a \$250 check and to a letter of introduction addressed to the bank. He was caught at the bank because his age excited the suspicion of the teller. In another case a boy 14 years of age employed by an attorney, in New York City, forged the latter's signature to a check for \$150, while three other boys clamored for the privilege of taking it to the bank to cash it that they might share in the profits. It became necessary to promise each an equal portion but that only one should go into the bank. These

youths were not placed in the hands of the police as the banks did not desire to press charges against them, but it took much forceful talk on the part of our agents to make them see the seriousness and the danger of the step they had taken. Such boys bear watching.



HAROLD E. NOBLE

#### BUYS AUTOS ON FORGED CHECKS

Operates throughout east with forged certified checks.
Purchases autos and immediately sells them

HAROLD E. NOBLE. The Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., holds a United States warrant for the arrest of Harold E. Noble, charging forgery. This man some time ago carried an account at the Greenpoint National Bank, Brooklyn, N. Y., which is now entirely exhausted but against which Noble still continues to draw worthless checks which he stamps with a certification stamp of his own getup and forges the cashier's name to same. On April 19, under the name of Herman A. Morton he passed one of these checks at Hoboken, N. J. He also secured a Grant automobile with a check at Washington, D. C., and an Overland at Bridgeport, Conn., again at Jenkintown, Pa., on September 9, he got possession of a Dodge car. Noble approached these dealers accompanied by a woman and a small boy whom he declared was his wife and child. Whether or not they are his wife and son, it gave the dealer confidence in Noble and his check. It was part of Noble's game. As soon as he would obtain the autos he would immediately sell them and be richer in the amount of the price he received. He has used also the names: Harry C. Norris, Harry D. Noble, Henry A. Nable, Edward H. Nevins, etc. He is a native of Lynn, Mass., is 35 years, 5 feet 10% inches, 164 pounds, of medium dark complexion; has brown eyes and hair. Bertillon measurements: 79.0 88.0 96.3 20.0 15.2 6.3 28.2 12.2 9.2 49.4.

#### WARNING

JOSE SANCHEZ ABARCA. A search is being made throughout Texas by our agents for one Jose Sanchez Abarca, Mexican, who is suspected of being the individual who recently victimized a member bank at New Orleans, La., in the cashing of several checks bearing the forged signature of a depositor. He is 40 years, medium height, of dark complexion; has a thick black mustache.

GEORGE BERGER, 21, has victimized a member at Pleasant Unity, Pa., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature. He is 5 feet 6 inches, 130 to 140 pounds, of slender build; has fair complexion, brown hair, smooth shaven face, long nose.

ALBERT BIERIGER. A member at Hastings, Neb., writes us, in part, as follows: "We are advised through reliable sources that one Albert Bieriger, 24 to 27 years, has disposed of all his personal property and departed from this country. He owes us a note secured by chattel mortgage on six head of horses and colts, all of which he has sold, according to our information. He is an ignorant German boy.

W. H. BOUGH is wanted by a member at Jacksonville, Fla., who declares that he has defrauded them in the cashing of two checks to which he had forged the signature of a former employer, a depositor of the member in question. A warrant is held at Jacksonville, Fla., for his arrest. He is 29 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 160 pounds, has blue eyes, light hair, is smooth shaven.

ALCID BOWERS, 18, is being sought by our agents on a charge of forgery filed by a member of St. Joseph, Mo. He signed his sister's name to a check against her account and cashed it at the bank. He is 5 feet 6 inhes, 135 pounds, of good build, medium complexion, dark brown hair.

CATHERINE BRYANT, 20, is wanted at South Pasadena, Cal., on a local member's charge of forgery. Deputy Sheriff W. H. Johnson of South Pasadena holds a warrant for her arrest. She is 5 feet 7 inches, 140 to 150 pounds, of fair complexion; is a decided blonde. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in this investigation.

A. R. CANFIELD, alias Hall, who roomed at Houston, Texas, for one day with a depositor of a local bank, has defrauded that bank in the cashing of a check which he had stolen in blank form from the depositor's book and to which he forged the latter's signature. Canfield is 28 to 30 years, 5 feet 8½ inches, 140 pounds, of slender build, fair complexion, neat dress; has blue eyes, light brown hair. He is a railroad man.

GEORGE W. COLLINS, alias J. A. RANDOFF, 25, is sought by our agents and the police of Cleveland, Ohio, on a charge that he forged and cashed several pay checks of his employers, the Columbian Hardware Co., thereby putting to loss a Cleveland member. Collins is believed to be in hiding in New York City. He is 5 feet 5 inches, 140 pounds, of medium build, pale complexion, has dark brown hair and hazel eyes. The New York office of our detective agents holds warrant for his arrest.

FOSTER DAVIS, negro, is wanted by a member at Petersburg, W. Va., on a warrant charging forgery. Chief of Police at Petersburg holds warrant.

ROY R. DAVIS, alias F. C. Allen, has victimized a member at Chattanooga, Tenn., in the passing of notes bearing forged endorsements. He is 25 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 155 pounds, of medium stout build, has large brown eyes, light brown hair; is smooth shaven. Has a quiet manner and the habit of gazing preoccupiedly in to space, suddenly breaking this posture with a jerk of the head.

THORNTON R. DUDLEY—ROGER M. WILTON. A member at Lexington, Ky., has reported that they have had presented to them recently a number of checks bearing the forged signature of D. G. Falconer, a prominent attorney of Lexington and a director of the bank in question. They declare that some of the checks have been made payable to Thornton R. Dudley and Roger M. Wilton and were cashed at Long Island City, New York. No description or information as to this operator is now available.

W. L. DUGGER is alleged to have defrauded a member at Hillsboro, Tex., in the disposing of mortgaged property.

GEORGE N. FARRIN, who formerly practiced law at Portland, Ore., but has been disbarred, it is alleged, because of several transactions which he conducted, is now wanted at Portland for the defrauding of a local member by bogus check. Farrin's check was cashed by an attorney who in turn presented it at the bank and carried off the cash it called for. The latter mentioned individual declares that he turned the money over to Farrin and he has no funds to repay the bank.

C. S. FOX, A member at San Fernando, Cal., has informed our agents under date of October 4, as follows: "For your information would say that on September 26, a young man giving his name as C. S. FOX, called upon us and asked that we cash a check for \$75 drawn by himself on the Union State Bank, of Wichita, Kan. We accepted the check for collection only, sent it forward with instructions to the Wichita bank to wire us payment. They wired the account had been closed on August 8 and check was no good. Fox understood that we would receive the wire on September 29, but he left San Fernando the night before and gave in payment of his board bill a check drawn on another bank in Kansas. When he was here he stated that he had funds in some bank in Indiana or Illinois, that there was to his credit the sum of \$1500 in the Union State Bank, Wichita, and \$500 in another Kansas bank. The Wichita bank, in writing us in regard to the matter, stated that the account was closed with them on August 8, and since that time they had turned back checks given by Mr. Fox almost daily, the amount totaling \$300 to \$400. Mr. Fox is about 25 years, nicely dressed in black and white checked, suit, has round face, ruddy complexion and dark hair."

J. S. GLEASON, formerly a nurse at a hospital at Cairo, Ill., defrauded a member at Mounds, Ill., by means of a worthless check, after having been introduced at the bank by a prominent local physician. Gleason is 35 years, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, weighs 135 pounds, of slender build; has blond hair, smooth thin face, high forehead; wore a brown suit, light gray fedora hat, white canvas shoes, a light colored string tie. He carriers a new tan cheap handbag.

L. R. GLIDDINGS, who was arrested in November, 1912, and in April, 1914, charged with passing worthless checks, is now operating in St. Louis, Mo., where he defrauded a member bank and numerous merchants. He claims to be organizing the "Central Loan & Trust Co., of Oklahoma City, Okla." He is 65 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 to 165 pounds, of medium build, fair complexion, has gray hair; is smooth shaven.

THOMAS GONZALES, a Mexican, is wanted for defrauding a member bank at Metcalf, Ariz., through means of a forgery perpetrated during October. Gonzales is 21 years, 5

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feet 7 inches, 145 pounds, of stocky build, dark complexion, black hair, and when last seen was dressed in a black suit, black hat with a three inch polka dot band. It is said that Gonzalez goes armed and frequents sporting houses and saloons. Warrant for his arrest is held by Sheriff Jim Cash, Clifton, Ariz.

STEWART D. GRAY, who represents himself as an agent of the A. A. Vantine Co., Silks, New York, N. Y., and exhibits numerous railroad baggage checks, has swindled a member at Bismarck, N. D., by a worthless draft. He is 38 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 165 to 175 pounds, of ruddy complexion; has light hair, full round face, blue gray eyes.

RAY HARVEY, 24, is wanted at Dodge City, Kan., where he has put to loss a member in the passing of a check raised from \$7 to \$70. The sheriff of Ford County, Kan., holds warrant for Harvey's arrest. He is 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds, has light hair, gray eyes, lean face, light complexion.

L. E. HAYES, 27, has defrauded a member at Radium, Kan., in the passing of a check to which he had cleverly forged a depositor's signature. He is 6 feet, has blue eyes, wavy brown hair, a scar on one of his cheeks.



PEARL JOHNSON

PEARL JOHNSON, alias Mary Winford, 18 years, has victimized a member at Wichita Falls, Tex., in the cashing of a check to which she had forged a depositor's signature. She is 5 feet, 90 to 100 pounds; has black eyes and hair, round and freekled face.

EDWARD E. JONES, alias Roy Ward, wanted by the Federal authorities as a deserter of company "H," Sixteenth Infantry, has put to loss a member at El Paso, Tex., in the cashing of a draft to which he had forged a depositor's signature. It is reported that he is now in Ohio with a woman companion.

Ray Ward

D. F. KELLY, alias John Kelly, who was recently employed as gardener at a convent in White Plains, N. Y., has succeeded in passing two checks in the town to which he cleverly forged the signatures of the two sisters in charge of

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the convent. The member bank upon whom the checks were drawn, failed to detect the forgeries, paid on them, and are now the losers.



WALTER S. KOCIK

WALTER S. KOCIK, known also as Walter S. Cook, is alleged to have victimized a member at Minneapolis, Minn., to the extent of almost \$300 in the cashing of checks to which he had forged the signature of his aunt, a depositor. He is 20 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds, of light complexion. Minneapolis police hold warrant for his arrest.

JOE LANDVOSKI, a youth of 21 years who but a short time ago landed here from Poland, is sought on behalf of a member at Forrest River, N. D., whom Landvoski defrauded in the cashing of a check which he had raised from \$3 to \$43. He is 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds, of slender build, dark complexion and hair, has brown eyes, a lean face, a prominent nose. He wears a light gray hat with wide brim, cowboy style.

R. W. LECORNEN, alias "Big Bob" is wanted at Redfield, S. D., on a charge that he defrauded a local member in the cashing of two certificates of deposit which he had stolen and on which he had forged the true endorsements. Our agents thoroughly scoured Greenfield and Memphis, where he is known to have spent his time in the association of local gamblers and bootleggers, but without locating Lecornen.

JACK W. LEONARD, former employee of the Gardiner Syndicate, Inc., Syracuse, N. Y., is alleged to have put to loss a member at Oswego, N. Y., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature of a bank at Harrisburg, Pa.

J. M. MAYBRIGHT, who was recently released on parole from the Kansas State Penitentiary where he had been sentenced on a charge of forgery, and who broke his parole, is now wanted at that institution. He operated at Kansas City, Mo., on September 23, with a forged check. A local member bank was victimized. Maybright has used the names Henry H. Reed, H. S. Watts, H. J. Williams,



J. M. MAYBRIGHT

H. B. Wilson, W. T. Lucas, etc. He is 31 years, 5 feet 9½ inches, 142 pounds; has gray eyes, light auburn hair; medium light complexion. Is a laborer by occupation. Bertillon measurements: 77.2 74.0 94.6 19.6 15.4 13.6 5.9 26.4 11.9 9.0 47.9 Finger prints: 9/1 R/R 10/10 13.

## H. S. Wall

W. V. MILLER has succeeded in cashing at Helena, Mont., a check which he had raised from \$20 to \$70. In the course of events it developed that the member at Spokane, Wash., upon whom this check was drawn would have to stand the loss. The prosecuting attorney holds, however, that there is no jurisdiction in this matter in Spokane courts on account of the cashing of this raised check, having been committed at Helena, Mont., where the complaint must be filed. A warrant has been refused to the Spokane member and inasmuch as the party at Helena who paid on the raised check has been refunded by the Spokane bank they claim no further interest in the matter or resolution to take action against Miller.

N.V. Miller

GEORGE B. MUNSEY, alias Wm. O. Rollond, defrauded two member banks of Spokane, Wash., by means of a forged form check of the Barnard Manufacturing Company of Spokane, on October 14, each check being for the amount of \$48. In one instance he received the total amount in cash and in the other received \$30 in cash, \$18 being left on deposit as savings. This is probably the operator mentioned in the Journal Supplement for September, 1916, under the name John Howard. Munsey is 25 years, 5 feet 6 to 10 inches, 140 pounds, of slender build, has dark complexion and hair.

R. M. OTIS, whose left arm is amoutated above the elbow, is wanted at Roberts, Idaho, on a local member's charge that he has defrauded them in the cashing of three checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature. He

is 27 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 147 pounds, of slim build; has gray blue eyes, lean face, a prominent nose.

H. K. PARKER, who is wanted for the defrauding of a member of Massillon, O., by bogus checks, in early October passed a similar check in New York City. He tendered a card to his victim which proclaimed him as a representative of Thompson & Thompson, Printers and Binders, Braintree, Mass. He stated that he was a member of Delta Lodge, Braintree, St. John's Commandry, No. 1, Bridgeport, Conn., and Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport. He is 45 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 145 pounds, of slim build. Medium complexion.



OSCAR A. PENZIEN.

OSCAR A. PENZIEN has put to loss a bank at Oakland, Cal., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged the signature of an individual with whom he was carrying a joint account at the bank. Penzien is an expert plasterer. He has served time in the California State Penitentiary for forgery; is 44 years, 5 feet 8% inches, 160 pounds, of medium build, medium fair complexion, has brown hair. The California Bankers Association is offering a reward of \$25 for the arrest and conviction of this man. Bertillon measurements: 74.5 77.0 93.5 18.5 15.9 14.3 6.7 26.0 11.3 8.6 45.8. Finger prints: 15/17 U/U 00/0 16.

WILLIAM REID has put to loss a member at Mountain View, Cal., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in this case. No description of Reid is available at this writing.

A. C. RITTER, who until recently was in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph Co., working as field inspector out of Denver, Colo., has operated in Odessa, Mo., with worthless checks. He then went to Independence, Mo., and swindled a member bank at that point. Private individuals in Odessa and Kansas City lost through his operations. Ritter claims to be a Hollander, speaks very poor English, but is a very efficient man in electrical line work. He had papers showing that he had been employed previous to the first of this year by the Southern Pacific Railroad Co., in Old Mexico and it is thought he is probably headed for that part of the country. He is 50 years of age, 5 feet 4½ inches, 135 pounds, of dark complexion, smooth shaven, has gray hair.

EARL L. SIMKINS, 30, recently gave a member at Lewistown, Mont., a chattel mortgage for \$5,200 on 172 head of cattle and 34 head of horses. It developed then that this man is the owner of no cattle whatever, nor did he own any at the time this mortgage was given. Further he does not own the number of horses he represented to the

bank as his. The bank has sworn out a warrant for Simkins' arrest. He is 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds, has light brown hair. He has lived on a ranch at Lewistown.

CARL J. SKINNER recently defrauded a member at Fort Bragg, Cal., on a worthless check. He also defrauded a member bank at Willitts, Cal. Warrant is held at Fort Bragg and is now in the hands of Sheriff Barnes, of Ukiah, Cal. Skinner takes orders for enlarging photographs, canvassing the country in a Ford automobile. He is accompanied by a woman. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in this case. Skinner is 30 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds, of dark complexion, dark large eyes; has black hair.



ALBERT SUMPTER.

ALBERT SUMPTER, 21, has put to loss a member at Trenton, Mo., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature. He was employed at Trenton as a farm hand. He is 5 feet 6 inches, 135 pounds, of dark complexion, is smooth shaven.

A. M. WHITE executed a mortgage on 45 head of live stock to a member bank in Houston, Tex., and then mortgaged the stock to eleven people who, holding shorter maturity paper than the member bank, took over the stock and made the bank a loser. He was assisted in this transaction by one J. B. JAMISON. White is described as being 45 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 170 pounds, of medium stout build; has small eyes and a sharp jerk in his speech. His face is well tanned.

KATE WILKNER, alias Erma Keller, has defrauded a bank at Kansas City, Kan., in the cashing of two checks to which she had forged a depositor's signature. The checks were cashed at Kansas City. No description available.

#### GENERAL

FRED M. FALKMAN, alias Fred M. Faulkner, alias Frederick Faulkman, 30, salesman, was on October 18, arrested at Boston, Mass., charged with passing bogus checks. September, 1916, JOURNAL Supplement, page 30.

T. E. FARRIS, alias C. H. Richmond, alias Claude H. Richmond, who claims to be a painter and wears painter's clothes while operating, has defrauded many merchants throughout Kansas with bogus checks drawn on Kansas banks.

ED. FEITH, alias Adolph, 40, is wanted at Spokane, Wash., on a warrant which charges him with swindling by bogus check. He is believed to be now in New York City. A merchant at Spokane is Feith's victim.



ALLEN M. DALE

ALLEN M. DALE, alias Dean Delmas, who has operated along the Pacific Coast with bogus cashier's drafts on fictitious banks, was, on October 11, arrested at San Francisco, Cal. He is 31 years, 6 feet, 160 pounds, of medium brown hair, fair complexion, of slender build.

ISADORE FLOERSHEIM, alleged shirt salesman of Wilson & Co.; Chicago, Ill., was arrested at Houston, Tex., on September 25 by our agents and the local police of Kansas City, Mo. Floersheim has swindled a Kansas City hotel by the passing of a worthless check.

WILL GOLDEY, 30, who has worked as a farm hand at Sterling, Kan., has forged the signature of a depositor of a local bank, to three checks which he passed at Sterling.

DR. G. A. HARRIS, of Philadelphia, who represented himself as an officer of the United States Public Health Service has been arrested at Albany, Ala., charged with passing a worthless check.

J. MORRISON, negro, has been arrested at Elwood City, Pa., on a charge of passing a check drawn on a local bank to which he had forged a depositor's signature.

H. M. OATES has surrendered himself to the authorities at Daly City, Cal. Says that he had passed "a thousand dollars in worthless checks in San Francisco, San Jose and Santa Rosa, Cal."

E. W. O'CONNOR, 35, is cashing bogus checks throughout St. Louis, Mo., on the International Bank, St. Louis.

B. H. O'NEAL, 50, has endeavored to swindle several wholesale merchants of San Francisco, Cal., by false pretenses. He represented that he was about to open a gentlemen's furnishing store at Reno, Nev., and selected large quantities of merchandise to be shipped to Reno. The Southwestern National Bank of Commerce, Kansas City, Mo., whom O'Neal referred to, states party is unknown to them.

E. B. PARKER. A worthless draft has been cashed, or attempted to have been cashed, at a hotel of New Orleans, La. It purports to be drawn by the cashier of the Bank of Bullochville, Ga., on the Hanover National Bank, New York, N. Y., and is made payable to and indorsed by E. B. Parker.

P. H. PARRIGAN, attorney, is reported by a Junction City, Ky., member bank as having failed to give returns on notes which they turned over to him for collection and that he also passed a bogus check on a local party against their bank.

OLLIE REED, alias Joe Smith, negro, 35, who has operated against merchants at Kansas City, Mo., with

worthless checks, purporting to have been issued by the Baltimore Construction Co., on the Pioneer Trust Co., Kansas City, was arrested by local detectives on October 10 and sentenced to five years in the Missouri State Penitentiary.

ELWOOD RINEHART and Stewart Shellenberger, of Bartville, Pa., have been arrested at Quarryville, Pa., charged with passing a forged check.

C. P. ROGERS, who recently came to Little Rock, Ark., represented himself as an automobile dealer and then proceeded to open an account in a local bank, is now sought by the police. He has passed out checks by far exceeding the amount he placed on deposit. He had the bank print upon his checks, "C. P. Rogers, Auto Accessories, Repairs, Vulcanizing & Painting." He stated he intended to start business in Little Rock.

ROBERT STEVENS, 25, has recently defrauded, several merchants at Tulare, S. D., by cashing checks to which he had forged his employer's signature. His true name is believed to be Robert Lafton.

MALCOLN STUART is alleged to have passed several checks at Danielsville, Pa., to which he had forged the signature of a depositor in a local bank. The bank is not a loser.

H. L. VREELAND has cashed a draft at a hotel of Asheville, N. C., on the Viking Film Co., Inc., New York City, which has remained unpaid. This film company is reported to have passed out of existence. Vreeland also used the name George M. Gordan.

#### ARRESTED

#### "WHITES OF EGGS" ARRESTED

Forger who traveled throughout the country heralding his patent for the manufacture of whites of eggs is arrested at Fort Worth

"Whites of Eggs" is now a prisoner. This alias is the one under which W. J. Douglas, W. J. Rollonds, W. J. Reynolds, W. J. Rhodes and W. J. Williams is best known. He fell into the hands of our detective agents at Fort Worth, Tex., on October 3, thanks to the President of the State National Bank, Dennison, Tex., who recalled an article of warning which he had read in the September, 1916, issue of the Jounnal Supplement in regard to this swindler. We will again relate of the latter's method of operation as it is novel and therefore interesting.

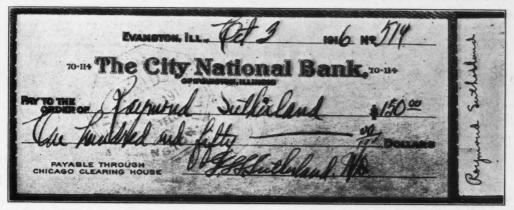
He would advertise in a newspaper that he had a great manufacturing scheme in hand and called for a partner with \$700 capital. The prospective partner would answer the advertisement and then call upon W. J. Douglas who would reveal the secrets of a proposition whereby he could manufacture a substitute for the whites of eggs. He would display a contract in apparent legal form that he had with the parent company, whom he claimed held the American and Canadian rights for the manufacture of this product. He would then exhibit the preparation itself in a small bottle which he carried with him for such a purpose. In color it was identical to the white of an egg. The prospective partner was permitted to taste of a piece of angel cake which Douglas stated was made from this substance. It was first class. Now



W. J. DOUGLAS

Douglas was talking of the wonderful possibilities of his invention and the immense profits that would be derived from it. The prospective partner was favorably impressed. Whereupon Douglas would remark that the \$700 was to be deposited to his (the partner's) personal credit, to be used to equip a factory that needed no machinery. Douglas would agree to deposit a similar sum as evidence of his good faith. Finally the site for the factory would be selected. The accounts were opened in a local bank, each man depositing \$700, and preparations were under way for the business. Several days later Douglas would find himself out of ready cash and, as they needed a pair of scales, he would ask the partner for a small check. Of course the latter would immediately write out the check and sign it and turn it over to Douglas. That was the turning point. Instead of cashing the check and buying the scales, Douglas would repair to his room and proceed to make out a check for \$600. To this he would skilfully sign the partner's name and present it at the bank. Recognized there as the party of the first part, Douglas would experience no trouble in having the check cashed. He would immediately thereafter pack his grip and leave town. Aroused by Douglas' non-appearance with the scales the partner would proceed to the bank and there learn of the fraud. He would inquire about Douglas' account and would learn that it had been checked out with the exception of but a few cents. Who was the victim? The partner? No-the bank. They paid out the funds on a forged instrument. Douglas successfully worked his swindle at Brooklyn, N. Y.; Berkeley, Cal.; Philadelphia, Pa., and St. Paul, Minn., collecting in each place \$600 or more.

On October 2 the Houston office of our detective agents was telephoned by Wm. G. Meginnis, Cashier of the State National Bank, Denison, Tex., that one W. J. Williams, whom he was confident was the swindler referred to in the September Journal Supplement, was to meet a client of his at Ft. Worth, Tex., at the latter's residence. In conjunction with the local police officers the Burns operative approached a man answering the subject's description, and when he admitted his name as W. J. Williams, placed him under arrest. Many bottles of acid labeled in Russian were found in his room, an egg beater and letterheads and envelopes of almost every first-class hotel of the large cities in the United States. Williams admitted his identity as the "Whites of Eggs Swindler." He congratulated the Burn's man and officers upon the capture. He will be returned to Philadelphia for prosecution. He is 51 years, 5 feet 8% inches, 1631/4 pounds, well built, of florid complexion, has gray hair, small gray mustache. Bertillon measurements: 73.7 74.0 93.4



#### DEFRAUDED COLLEGE CITY BANKS

Young man who presented himself as student in local university in opening accounts with bogus checks is under arrest in Evanston, Ill.

Confessing to our detective agents that within a month's time he had victimized twenty or more banks by bogus checks, John Kenneth Carnes, alias George Richmond, etc., 19 years of age, was on October 24 placed in jail at Evanston, Ill. Carnes' first false step occurred on August 18 last, when he deserted from Battery "F," First Illinois Field Artillery, stationed at Camp Wilson, San Antonio, Tex. He then began to hand out to banks and merchants in the South, checks to which he had forged the signature of the captain of the company he had deserted. Trace of Carnes was lost till September 25, when he appeared at Evanston, Ill., and opened an account in a local bank under the name George Richmond. He declared that he was a student at the local university and displayed a pin of the Sigma Nu fraternity. The check he deposited was mailed to him by his father, he explained, to cover his expenses. Carnes, alias Richmond, was a pleasant chap and clean cut. The bank trusted him and readily handed him a book of checks, instructing him, however, not to bring them into use until they had been notified as to the character of his check. Before Carnes had left the bank he had succeeded in securing a sum of money to cover his "immediate needs." Then he set forth in Evanston and merchant after merchant accepted his checks drawn on the local bank. They, too, were victimized, because the check deposited was branded as entirely bogus.

"I then proceeded to Chicago, Ill., next to La Fayette and Indianapolis, Ind., Bloomington and Urbana, Ill., Milwaukee and Madison, Wis., Minneapolis, Minn., Iowa City, Iowa, back to Chicago, then to Philadelphia, Pa., Princeton, N. J., Columbus, Ohio, Lexington, Ky., Cincinnati and Cleveland, Ohio, Detroit, Mich., and finally returned to Evanston, where I was arrested," confessed Carnes to our agents. "In each of these towns, I operated at one or more banks as I had at Evanston. I used so many aliases that I cannot recall them all."

Credit for this capture is due to G. H. Tomlinson, assistant cashier and secretary of the State Bank of Evanston. Carnes on October 23 entered the bank, introduced himself as G. C. Lee, stated that he had just entered

Northwestern University, and desired to open an account-He presented three checks. As it was late in the year for an entrance to the college, Mr. Tomlinson questioned "Lee" as to his past. He learned that "Lee" had previously attended a Pennsylvania college and had been expelled. "Lee" named several educators and answered questions satisfactorily. Mr. Tomlinson issued him a check book and asked him not to draw for one week. The next day, "Lee" approached the teller with a check drawn in his favor and asked that it be cashed. The teller notified Mr. Tomlinson and "Lee" was held. "Lee" was identified as George Richmond. The arrest followed. He used the names: J. M. Black, Byron N. Moon, J. B. Burres, George Kent, R. Sutherland, J. R. Neville, Theo. R. Schwartz, James Sutton, John C. White, Geo. Brown, Robert Cassel, G. C. Lee, Robert J. Klein, Howard Curry, J. C. Brown, George Fowler, John Cavanaugh, J. C. Kavanaugh, Wm. Hoyt, John C. Olsen and John C. Johnson. He is 5 feet 6 inches, 125 pounds, of slight build; has fair complexion, gray eyes, brown hair.

#### SWINDLER-MUSICIAN JAILED

Scholar of Rubenstein who enchanted townsfolk of Villisca, Ia., and Porterville, Cal., by his remarkable musical ability, then perpetrated frauds, is arrested at San Francisco

Andy Goran, detective sergeant at San Francisco, Cal., on September 29 succeeded in capturing a swindler who has been sought for some time past by a member at Villisca, Iowa.



FRANCIS PAUL SCHIERMANN

We quote from our May, 1916, JOURNAL Supplement in regard to this man: "Villisca, Iowa, is still unwilling to confess that it has been completely deceived. They consider Francis Paul Schiermann, their beloved vagabond, who entered their town tattered and penniless and who bewildered them by his wonderful musical ability, only as a master musician. They will never look upon him as a swindler. Yet, such he is-musician and swindler of merit. During October Schiermann came to Villisca. He was poorly clad and penniless, but ambitious to secure employment. He was given work by a local dairyman. But Schiermann was found wanting. He was frail and tender. His hands were like a woman's. 'I never did a hard day's work in my life,' he confessed. 'I am a musician, and this work is too strenuous for me.' Whereupon the dairyman appealed to the townsfolk to pass upon Schiermann's ability as a musician. He was placed at a piano and then at a pipe organ. The playing of this man who had studied abroad under Rubenstein held them spellbound. He was a master. The days that followed were golden ones for our vagabond. Churches, clubs, people of means, called for his services. He was transformed to a rich idol. Schiermann found it necessary to open a bank account, and when he was called out of town, as he alleged by the Klick Organ Co., to give a number of recitals, and then returned, he was enabled to deposit two checks in large amounts purporting to have been issued to him by the organ company to cover the payment and expense of the recitals. 'I owe \$150 to a music company as balance on a piano that I have purchased for teaching. It must be paid at once. How can I manage it?' asked Schiermann of the teller. 'Give them a check,' advised the bank man. Their conversation continued and when the musician was about to leave, he declared, 'Oh, by the way, I believe it would suit me a little better to give the piano people the cash.' This with perfect composure. The \$150 was handed to him and Schiermann left the bank to be seen at Villisca no more. His checks, drawn against the Omaha National Bank, Omaha, Neb., were returned as forgeries. The bank was swindled. It developed that he had also robbed other people of the town. It has since been determined that this man in 1909 and 1910 was arrested at Philadelphia, Pa., on forgery charges. He has served a long sentence in the Eastern State Penitentiary under the name of Henry P. S. Morgan, alias Allen B. Morton." At that date further trace of Schiermann was lost. During September he appeared at Porterville, Cal., under the name Edgar Trueman Pancoast, and as he had done at Villisca, repeated at Porterville. A local member was his victim. He has been returned to Porterville to stand trial. Schiermann, alias Pancoast, alias Morgan, alias Morton, is 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 147 pounds; has medium chestnut hair, gray eyes, medium fair complexion. He is a native of Virginia. Bertillon measurements: 76.8 84.0 91.1 19.1 15.7 14.0 6.2 26.5 11.1 8.9 46.1.

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#### ROBBERS MEET TRAGIC END

Four men who stole \$6,200 from Homestead, Fla., bank are now dead or captured

On October 15, C. E. Sears, Jacksonville, Fla., representative of our detective agents, was notified by the Bank of Homestead, Homestead, Fla., that they had been robbed by bandits during the afternoon. Two men in khaki suits and everglade shoes and leggings had entered the bank and while one covered the officials present, the second man had gone into the vault and gathered up all the currency on hand, amounting to \$6,200. The men then backed out of the door, entered a waiting automobile which had been held in readiness by two men armed with rifles, and drove rapidly off toward the west everglades.

An armed posse was immediately organized and gave chase. The auto was found abandoned at the edge of the great west everglades. The men had plunged straight ahead, passing through saw grass and marsh knee-deep to a creek a mile off. Here all trace of the robbers was lost.

Joined by several "glades" hunters, all dead rifle shots, Sears put his investigation under way. The greatest detriment to the expedition Sears writes, "is the swarms of mosquitoes that virtually darken the sun in their great numbers." At Jewfish Creek in southern Florida the posse on September 17 encountered the robbers. The latter had hastened to a powerful motor boat they had secreted in a cove and which they had well provisioned with foodstuffs and ammunition sufficient to last them a period of six months. The posse succeeded in getting between the men and the boat and though outnumbered the robbers fought to pass through the posse. They were beaten back in to the everglades but it cost the posse the lives of two of its men and the fatal wounding of two others. The search continued.

At this point Sears writes, "To understand the situation one must imagine a vast prairie of marsh and tall saw grass extending from five to ten miles east and west and thirty-five to forty miles north and south. This vast plain is interspersed with clumps of trees or islands called hammacks. Thousands of these hammacks are scattered over this prairie. Small creeks course here and there. This was the kind of country in which the four fellows had taken refuge and the task of finding them might readily be imagined. It meant that we must wade through marsh knee-deep and saw grass that would tear our clothes and boots to shreds. And the danger of being 'picked off' from a hammack by the long range rifles of the robbers was always before us."

The men were not found in the glades so it was believed that they had succeeded in reaching the coast and that they would undoubtedly steal a boat and make an easy getaway. Sears believed that the best plan to follow would be to provision a boat, to man it with five riflemen and to station a man with a powerful glass on the boat's cabin to sweep the entire bay for the fugitives. We gave him full authority to proceed in this move. Covered with mosquito netting the men traveled all that day without again coming upon the robbers. The day following this work was repeated with twelve men. It was feared that the robbers would finally reach Cape Sable or the Thousand Islands where they might hide forever in safety among the score of outlaws who had gathered in this yeast wilderness of islands.

The identity of the men was learned. They were Hugh Alderman, Frank Rice, Leland Rice and Lawrence Tucker, all born and bred in Southern Florida. For days and nights this man hunt, in perhaps the worst country, continued. The people of lower Florida had joined hands as one to bring the men to justice.

On September 28 Frank Rice was captured after he had been severely wounded, by a bullet fired from ambush. His brother had been shot dead in a similar manner. Lawrence Tucker was washed ashore that morning on one of the islands after he had attempted to swim to a spot of safety and drowned. Hugh Alderman, half dead from hunger and thirst,

staggered into one of the towns and surrendered. He admitted his identity to the men of the posse and said he longed to be hanged.

"Despite the hard work and dangers faced by the posses," wrote Sears, it fell to the fishermen of Chocloskee, who the robbers believed to be their friends, to wipe them out. Great was the potency of the almighty dollar, as greed for the reward was the sole prompter of the activity of the fishermen."

It was a tragic end to the Homestead, Fla., bank hold-up.

#### FAKE LAND BUYER JAILED

Operator who traveled throughout country making arrangements with land owners to purchase certain property, then asking to be introduced at local bank where he would pass a bogus check, is finally captured

ABRAHAM JOHNSON, the old professional bank swindler, is now a prisoner. This is not the first time that Johnson has found himself hemmed into a cell, but it may be the last. His age and his physical condition may not now permit him to pay the time penalty that will be netted to him, for his recent swindling activities. This is how Johnson operated: He would go into a town, call on a landowner and make all the necessary preparations to become the rightful owner of a farm which he had selected and on which he intended to settle. At the proper moment he would request the impressed landowner to introduce him at a bank. They would call at a bank. He told of his vast fortunes distributed in different banks of Kentucky or other states, relating his experiences as sheriff of Casey County, Ky., some two years previous, and concluded his well rehearsed tale with a statement that asthma was troubling him to such an extent that he had selected your town for its splendid climate and had decided to stay and make the best of things. "Why, of course, he is O. K.," assured the landowner. So Johnson's check was cashed and another bank was swindled. Johnson was arrested at Wayne City, Ill., on October 4. A member bank at McLeansboro, Ill., will press a charge against Johnson. He is 60 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 105 pounds, of slender build: has medium chestnut hair, brown eyes, sallow complexion. There is a dim scar on his left wrist, outer, and a hair mole to the left of his nose.

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#### CASHIER CAPTURES SWINDLER

Trails man who passed bogus checks from Belvidere, N. J., to Stroudsburg, Pa.

Leroy Craig, cashier of the Warren County National Bank, Belvidere, N. J., has quite some ability as a detective. He proved this when on September 23 he traced from his bank at Belvidere one JAMES SHUTER, 17, who had passed bogus checks at Stroudsburg, Pa., and then had his man arrested. Shuter is 5 feet 6 to 7 inches, 140 pounds, of slim build, lean face.



BLUE HOMER RICHARDS

#### LOOKEBA BANK BURGLARS IDENTIFIED

Men arrested for burglarizing Oklahoma bank are identified by our agents as the perpetrators of Lookeba job

Some time ago the Korn State Bank, Korn, Okla., non-member of the Association, was burglarized and three men arrested as the perpetrators. They gave their names as H. C. WAGGONER, FRANK TURNER and LEONARD DOBENDO. In the course of an investigation which our agents were conducting in behalf of the Lookeba State Bank, Okla., whom also had been burglarized, it was, developed by our agents that the men arrested for the Korn job were also the perpetrators of the one at Lookeba. They identified Turner as "Blue" Homer Richards, a most notorious western character who has attacked many banks in his days of liberty. Waggoner was identified as a thief who has been mixed up in several unlawful transactions committed in Oklahoma towns.

#### WIRE OUTSTRIPS FLEEING FORGER

Arrested man escapes from peace officer, jumps into brother's auto and dashes for safety. Nearby town is notified by wire of escape and captures fugitive as he races through

L.W.KELLY is today a prisoner. On October 2 our agents who had fastened upon Kelly the responsibility of defrauding an El Paso bank member by a forged letter of credit, located him at Rule, Tex. They notified the local police officer who at once arrested Kelly and started for jail. Before they reached this place, however, Kelly happened to see his brother seated in an auto on the opposite side of the street. He begged permission to bid him goodbye. The officer, kindhearted and unawares, granted Kelly the privilege to make his parting with his brother, whereupon the prisoner stepped to the car, and in less time than it takes to tell it had leaped in and was carried off at a flying pace through the streets. A representative of our detective agents arriving on the scene at this moment grasped the situation instantly and instructing the dazed officer to at once notify the towns ahead he jumped into a waiting auto and gave pursuit. The chase was long but when the Burns man arrived in Stamford, Tex., the first town out of Rule, he found Kelly under the hand of a local officer, He is 19 years, 6 feet 2 inches, 135 pounds.

F. A. BABCOCK, for whom our detective agents have been conducting an extensive investigation in behalf of a member at Chattanooga, Tenn., whom Babcock swindled by bogus check, was on October 10 arrested at Mt. Hope, W. Va., by the local authorities upon information supplied by our agents. He has been returned to Chattanooga. He is 37 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds, of medium build, dark complexion; has gray eyes, black hair. Professes to be a scenario writer and composer of music. Has a number of red scars on the back of his neck from boils.



HARRY E. BEARDSLEY, alias R. J. Blair, who has represented himself at Portland, Ore., as a physican graduated from a medical school at Philadelphia, Pa., and who put to loss a Portland, Ore., member in the cashing of a bogus check drawn on the First National Bank, Long Beach, Cal., was on September 22 arrested at Portland by our agents and the local police. He had also victimize. A hotel at Portland with a bogus check. He is 28 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds, medium stout build; has dark brown hair, blue or gray eyes, ruddy complexion, is smooth shaven; top of left ear is disfigured; invariably wears a carnation. Gives Elmira, N. Y., as his home town. The Oregon Bankers Association has co-operated with this Association in this case.

JOHN BROWN, JR., 35, who has put to loss a member at Pittsburgh, Pa., in the securing of funds on a note to which it is alleged he forged his father's signature, was on September 26 arrested by our agents and the local authorities in New York City, where he had fled to offset pursuit. He has been returned to Pittsburgh. He is 5 feet 10 inches, 165 pounds, of medium build, fair complexion; has dark brown hair.





JOHN BROWN, JR.



HOWARD BURNSIDE

HOWARD BURNSIDE, electrician, who on April 11 and June 8, 1916, defrauded two members at West Orange, N. J., in the cashing of checks drawn on a bank in which he carried no account, and who later operated at Baltimore, Md., and Detroit, Mich., victimizing local individuals with similar checks, was on October 3, arrested at Caldwell, N. J., by the local authorities and the authorities of West Orange, N. J., and returned to the latter place. Burnside, alias Horace E. Brewer, alias J. R. Woodman, Jr., alias J. R. Wood, Jr., alias A. W. Allen, alias Dunham has a long criminal record. He is 30 years, 5 feet 63% inches, 135 pounds, of medium build; has dark blue eyes, brown hair, medium complexion. Bertillon measurements: 68.9 69. 91.4 18. 14.7 6.1 25.3 11.4 8.6 44.8

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SAGE L. COLLINS, alias Nick Turden, alias Ralph Chadwick, alias Tom Alton, alias Roy Welch, etc., defrauded a member bank at Wisdom, Mont., on or about October 1, by means of a forged check and was apprehended by local authorities at Idaho Falls, Idaho, on October 8, being returned to Dillon, Mont., for trial. He has agreed to enter a plea of guilty. He is 30 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 144½ pounds, of medium build; has light brown hair. Collins together with one Tex DeLong and Tom McGarry defrauded merchants in Beaverhead County, Mont., with forged checks to the extent of \$300. DeLong is 24 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 170 pounds; has dark hair, dark eyes and complexion. McGarry is 30 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 165 pounds, of stout build; claims to be a wrestler. Sheriff D. V. Erwin, Dillon, Mont., holds warrant for these two men on charge of forgery.

MRS. EDITH DULAN, 23, who admitted to the defrauding of a Louisburg, Kan., member by the cashing of a check to which she had forged a depositor's signature, was on September 22 arrested at Kansas City, Mo., by our detective agents and the local police. She is a professional purse.

LINDSLEY EASTBURN, 21, who, while rooming at a hotel of Spokane, Wash., with one Clark Cowman, stole the latter's pass-book and then wrote to the bank, forging Cowman's name, and requesting that a certain amount be wired to him at Spokane, was on October 8 arrested by the local police, after he had received the money. He is 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds, of medium build; has brown hair; smooth shaven face.



ROBERT HAMRICK

ROBERT D. HAMRICK, alias Dwight Hamrick. On September 27 an end was brought to a three-month search which our agents had conducted for one Robert Hamrick, who had victimized a member at Sutton, W. Va., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a local firm's signature. The chase carried our agents throughout West Virginia and Ohio and back again to the former state, where on September 27 at Clarksburg a Burns man located Hamrick and turned him over to the local authorities. He is 32 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 170 pounds, of robust build, ruddy complexion; has dark brown hair, gray eyes; appearance of a laborer.

HARRY W. GALBINOWITZ, alias Harry W. Galbenowetz, alias Harry L. Galvin, alias Joseph Hoffman, who has victimized two members at Boston, Mass., in the cashing of a check to which a depositor's name was forged, was on October 17 arrested at Boston by our agents and the local police. His photograph has been identified by two different parties who cashed these forged checks for him at New York City. They were eventually paid through the clearings by two Boston banks. He is being held on the local charge at Boston. He has also perpetrated a bogus stock swindle at Boston in which he victimized a Bostonian to the extent of \$100.

J. D. GOODWIN, known also as Getz, J. W. Morris, F. B. Goldman, etc., attorney, was on September 27 arrested at San Francisco, Cal., by our agents and the local police, after he had victimized an Oakland, Cal., bank in the cashing of many checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature. Goodwin confessed. The California Bankers Association has sought the arrest of this man. He is 37 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 190 pounds; has dark hair and complexion. He has been returned to Oakland.

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HARLEY KLUMP, alias Harry Vane, who has put to loss a member at Hettinger, N. D., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a responsible party's signature, was on October 13, arrested at Perryville, Mo., by our agents and the local sheriff. Klump is 20 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 165 pounds; has dark hair and complexion; is much tanned.



JOHN MARGON

JOHN MARGON, alias John J. Markos, alias S. Paulson, who has victimized a member at Sioux City, Iowa, by forged check was recently located in Tombs Prison, New York, N. Y., by our agents where he was being held on a similar charge filed by a merchant of New York City. Margon is a Greek and has been in this country five years. He has served time also in the South Dakota Penitentiary for forgery. He is 22 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds, of slender build; has dark hair, brown eyes. The Iowa Bankers Association has co-operated with this Association in this case.

NATHANIEL CAREY HALSTEAD, 34, who has victimized a member at Portland, Me., in the cashing of a bogus draft on the Northampton National Bank, Easton, Pa., was on October 18, arrested at Lexington, Mass., by our agents and the local police. He is 5 feet 10½ inches, 165 pounds, of medium build, ruddy complexion; has blue eyes, smooth shaven face. Is of extremely neat appearance, and very aristocratic.

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C. C. HARLEY, 33, on September 29 opened an account with a member at Pittsfield, Mass., by depositing \$40 in cash. Up to September 29 he had drawn out \$35. On this day he presented a check on the Third National Bank, Pittsfield, Mass., made payable to his order, for \$96 and signed H. S. Burton. The bank allowed him to draw \$85 against this check. It was returned as bogus. Harley and Burton are supposed to have been partners in a contracting business, specializing in roofing. On October 9, these men were arrested at Springfield, Mass., by the local authorities.

MOLLIE LANGNER who is mentioned on page 62 of the October JOURNAL Supplement as being wanted in connection with the swindling of a member at Cleveland, Ohio, was on October 14, arrested at Cleveland by our agents and the local police. An account as to the arrest of her daughter is included in the Supplement above referred to.

A. J. MILLER, alias C. F. Meyers, alias F. E. Malone, alias T. Reser, who during the past month has operated quite extensively through the central part of Kansas, swindling member banks at Lyons, Salina and St. John, by means of forged grain checks which he had stolen in blank form from milling companies, was arrested on September 13 at Mooreland, Kan., by the local authorities and is now held awaiting trial in the county jail at Abilene.

MARVIN E. OLSON, 17, known also as Marvin E. Johnson, Frank Johnson and "Red" Olson, was on October 7, arrested at Chicago, Ill., by our agents and the police of Chicago. He has been identified as the one who passed a forged check upon a local member bank. Is 5 feet 2 inches, 120 pounds; of light complexion.

M. N. PARISH, who has passed several checks upon a member at Potwin, Kan., which he had raised in their amount, was on October 14, arrested at Kansas City, Mo., by our agents and the local police. He is a book agent.

R. E. PRITCHARD, 40, who has victimized a member at Haskell, Okla. by disposing of mortgages property, was early in October arrested for this bank by the sheriff of Osage County, Lyndon, Kan., and returned to Haskell, Okla. He has since been released on bond.

AMANDA RHYME, who has victimized a member at Floral City, Fla., by forgery, was on October 7, arrested at Tavares, Fla., by the local sheriff who had been notified of this operator's presence in his town by our detective agents.

FRED O. SCHULTZE, 44, who has victimized a member at Utica, N. Y., in the passing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature, was on October 16, arrested at New York, N. Y., by our detective agents and the local police. Schultze confessed and has been returned to Utica. He is 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds, of good build, light chestaut hair, blue gray eyes. He has the appearance of a farmer and his face shows indications of much exposure.

HORACE STAMPER, alias Harry Douglas, who it is alleged has put to loss a member at Wichita, Kan., in the cashing of nine checks to which he had forged a depositor's name, was on October 10, arrested at Wichita by our agents and the local sheriff. He is 28 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds, of slender build, has brown hair, blue eyes, light complexion.

J. M. WARD was arrested in Reno, Nev., on October 9, by our detective agents on the charge of defrauding a member bank of Los Angeles, Cal., by means of a forgery. It is alleged that Ward, who was for several months a nurse in the California Hospital at Los Angeles, Cal., intercepted a letter containing a check intended for a patient. Ward, it is claimed, extracted the check from the letter, forged the patient's indorsement, and then succeeded in having the check cashed at the member bank because of his acquaintance with a paying teller. Ward left Los Angeles a day or two after the transaction, but the forgery was not discovered until the seventh of October, about two weeks after the crime was committed. The California Bankers Association cooperated with this Association in this investigation.

CLYDE W. WELCH accused of having forged and cashed numerous pay checks of the Columbian Hardware Co., Cleveland, Ohio; thereby putting to loss a local member, was on October 7, arrested at Cleveland by our agents and the police. He was released under \$1,000 bail. Welch is 40 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 190 to 200 pounds, of stout build, has light brown hair, ruddy complexion, brown eyes.

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#### SENTENCED FROM 20 TO 42 YEARS

Leader of Jarbalo bank robbers is sent to Kansas State Penitentiary for long term

To punish him for the part he played in the hold-up of the Jarbalo State Bank, Jarbalo, Kan., the court at Leavenworth on October 14, sentenced Ralph Evans to a term of 20 to 42 years behind the walls of the Kansas State Penitentiary. Evans was leader of the clique that attacked the bank. His subordinates will be tried on this charge at a later date.

#### LOOKEBA BURGLARS SENTENCED

For the burglary of the Korn, Okla., bank two men are given twenty years each while a third is acquitted

FRANK TURNER, alias "Blue" Homer Richards, and JACK WAGGONER, have been convicted of the burglary of the Korn State Bank, Korn, Okla., and sentenced to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary to serve each a term of twenty years. LEONARD DO BENDO, arrested with the men, was acquitted. Inasmuch as Turner and Waggoner perpetrated the crime against the Lookeba State Bank, Lookeba, Okla., we will consider this as a conviction in the case for the men would have been immediately arrested on the Lookeba charge if released at Korn, and without doubt a conviction would have been readily obtained against them. They were identified as the Lookeba burglars by our detective agents.

JOHN CALLERIS, swindle, 3 years, Kentucky State Penitentiary.

C. E. DILLON, bogus checks, September 8, Minnesota State Penitentiary, indeterminate term.

DR. J. H. DORST, bogus checks, October 2, 1 to 10 years, Southern Illinois Penitentiary.

THOMAS E. EARLY, alias James J. McMillan, alias Fred McMillan, etc., forgery, October 20, Illinois State Penitentiary, 1 to 14 years.

AUGUSTUS LE STRANGE, forgeries, April 17. Sentence suspended.

LETHEL McELROY, forgeries, 2 years, County Roads gang. Birmingham, Ala. Escaped October 10.

JOSEPH MANGOLD, alias Henry D. Falk, etc., forged stock, 2 years, House of Correction, Springfield, Mass.

MICHAEL MOORE, forgeries, April 24, 1916, 1 day, common jail, Brooklyn, N. Y.

THOMAS M. RANDALL, worthless check, 5 months from October 3, 1916, at Fort Lawton, Wash., on charge of desertion from United States Army.

GERALD E. RICE, forgery, 1 to 5 years, Oregon State Penitentiary. Sentence later suspended with the understanding that he would repay every loss he had caused.

SOL RUBEN, worthless checks, September 14, 2 years, San Quentin, Cal.

#### CORRECTION

JOSEPH F. HAYES. On page 47 of the September, 1916, Supplement under the heading "Released" we stated that Joseph F. Hayes was released because his case was not prosecuted. This information is an error. Hayes on June 23, 1916, was arraigned at Providence, R. I., pleaded guilty and was sentenced to the Providence County Jail for 6 months.

#### RELEASED

DWIGHT S. BUTTS, forgery, released. Prosecuting attorney authorized case be dropped. Returned to service in the regular army.

#### AWAITING ACTION

List has been omitted owing to lack of space.

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### PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

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### PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

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#### NOVEMBER PROTECTIVE WORK

GAS GENERATOR COMPANY

Alleged representative opens account at Jacksonville bank and draws against bogus checks deposited.

A member at Jacksonville, Fla., was put to loss because of neglect to investigate one F. I. Snow, who represented himself as a man of business. Snow on October 30, entered the bank, claimed that he was the manager of the Improved Acetylene Gas Generator Co. of New York City; that he had opened an office in the bank building and finally declared that he was desirous of starting an account at the bank in the name of the gas generator company. Snow stated that his furniture had been shipped from New York to equip his office and he was busy taking orders for his company. His account with the bank became active at once. He had with him a young woman of refined appearance whom he introduced as his private secretary. On November 8,



F. I. SNOW

Snow deposited two checks of large amounts on the Commercial National Bank, Charleston, S. C., signed "The Harvey Chemical Company," payable to the gas generator company. These checks were filled in with typewriter and signed with rubber stamp. Snow continued to draw against the account and when the checks last referred to were returned to the Jacksonville bank, with a notation that they were bogus, that no such chemical company existed in their city, the Jackson of the company existed in their city, the Jackson of the company existed in their city, the Jackson of the company existed in their city, the Jackson of the company existed in their city, the Jackson of the company existed in their city.



sonville member checked up Snow's account and found that he had drawn out the full amount of the checks. Snow is 40 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds, of light complexion; has dark hair which is turning gray, closely cropped beard, mustache tinged with gray; is of stout build. The woman who accompanied him is 24 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 125 pounds. This woman is an innocent party to the transaction.

#### DO YOU KNOW THESE MEN?

Baggage of men arrested in the South contains numerous blank checks, certification stamps, etc. Believed to be professional operators.

On October 23; the authorities at Wichita Falls, Tex., arrested two men. When the baggage of the men was searched there was brought to light a complete opium smoking outfit, a quantity of opium, marked playing cards, loaded dice,



CLEVE A. COCHRAN



RUBE G. YOUNG

a large supply of blank checks on different banks throughout the country and several certification stamps. One fellow gave his name to our agents as Cleve B. Cochran and his occupation as a jockey. He is 32 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 134 pounds, has blue eyes, deep set, light brown hair; he has very poor teeth; is a morphine fiend, his arm showing many needle marks: is a race track tout and was "ruled off" the track at San Francisco some years ago. His accomplice gave his name as Rabe G. Young. Young spent considerable time around Lawton and Tulsa, Okla., also at Hutchinson and Wichita, Kan. He is 24 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 125 pounds; has light blue eyes, light brown hair; is a brakeman by occupation. These men are gamblers. We are unable to identify them in connection with cases on record but ask our readers to kindly notify us if they should recognize the men from the pictures or account. Checks on the State Bank of Maryland, and the National Exchange Bank of Maryland, Baltimore, Md., and the First National Bank, and Commercial National Bank of Hutchinson, Kan., were found upon them. Cochran or Crochran, is known also as R. J. Ballard, while Young has used the names I. J. Frazier and Melvin J.

#### OPERATES AS BANK PRESIDENT'S SON

Young man who claimed to be the son of a Stillmore, Ga., bank president, draws worthless draft at Baltimore.

A member at Baltimore, Md., has been victimized by a man 25 years of age, who represented himself as Walter C. Youmans, stating that John N. Youmans, president of the Farmers Exchange Bank, Stillmore, Ga., was his father. He told the bank a "hard-luck story" and finally asked them to cash his draft, declaring he would write his father to take care of it when it was presented at the Farmers Exchange Bank. Because this young man spoke intelligently and truthfully about the Stillmore bank and its officers, his draft was cashed. Mr. Youmans pronounces him as an impostor. His draft was, of course, not paid. He is 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds, wore the dress of a southerner and spoke with a strong southern accent.

Halter & Youward.

#### MILLER PIANO COMPANY NAMED

Ex-employee continues to draw drafts on piano company and defrauds Montana member.

F. E. HOTCHKISS at one time was employed near Spokane, Wash., as a representative of the S. W. Miller Piano Company. He drew drafts on them and they were paid. More recently, however, connection between Hotchkiss and the Miller people was severed. This fact did not serve to deter Hotchkiss from drawing additional drafts. A member at Libby, Mont., paid on one and it was, of course, refused at Spokane. It is stated that the Miller Piano Company is also desirous of securing the apprehension of Hotchkiss. He is 5 feet 11 inches, 155 pounds, of slender build; has light hair, walks flat-footed and is stoop-shouldered.

#### SCHOOLMATES SEVER FRIENDSHIP

Teller who cashed draft for former school chum now craves his arrest and punishment.

Principally because he had known Joseph G. Francks since their schooldays, the teller of a Galveston, Tex., bank recently cashed a draft for Francks. The teller realized he had no assurance as to the genuineness of the draft, but he considered it to be good or else "Joe" would never give it to him for cashing. The draft proved worthless. The teller has now taken action against Francks. Francks is 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds, of florid complexion; has dark hair, iron gray on sides; is a bartender and baker.

Joseph G. Franks.

#### WARNING

#### COUNTERFEIT \$10 NOTE

The Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., under date of November 20, issued a circular reading as follows:

"New counterfeit \$10 national bank note. On the Silver Bow National Bank of Butte, Mont.; series of 1902; check letter 'B'; W. T. Vernon, Register of the Treasury; Lee McClung, Treasurer of the United States; portrait of William McKinley. The correct charter number of the Silver Bow Bank is 4283; the counterfeit bears charter number 4256; treasury number A406059; bank number 19207. All of these numbers are printed in purple ink, as is the geographical number W. The counterfeit is a plain photograph; and should be readily detected."

B. R. BOONE is alleged to have victimized a member at West Blocton, Ala., by forging the signature of a depositor (his brother) to a check which he cashed at Chattanooga, Tenn., and which passed undetected through the Alabama bank's hands. B. R. Boone resides in Chattanooga.

JAMES BROWN, 19, who hails from Toronto, Ontario, Canada, has put to loss a member of Mapleton, Ia., by cashing a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature. Brown had been employed by the depositor to pick corn. He is 5 feet 8 inches, has black hair, gray blue eyes, florid complexion; he has a scar on the thumb of his right hand and another on his left leg below the knee; he was attired in sheepskin coat and overalls. The Iowa Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in the investigation of this case.

N. T. BURROUGHS. A member at Chicago, Ill., has notified our agents that one N. T. Burroughs is drawing drafts on the Burroughs Land Company, which are pure forgeries. Banks in the south have taken up these drafts and it will be well for members in that section to be on their-guard against them.

FREDERICK E. BUTLER, 32, has put to loss a member at Kansas City, Mos, in the cashing of a check drawn on the Security State Bank, Ansley, Neb., in which he had not sufficient funds to meet the demand of the check.

He at times makes Ansley his home. Is 5 feet 8 inches, 175 pounds, of good build, light complexion, full round face, blue or gray eyes.

Folderok & Butter

RICHARD CAMPBELL, 35, tree trimmer, has defrauded a depositor of a member bank at Clark's Summit, Pa. He succeeded in having a local party cash the check, who in turn cashed it at the bank. Campbell claimed that it had been given to him by his employers, Knight & Bawstic, nurserymen, Geneva, N.Y. The First National Bank of Geneva pronounced the check as bogus. He is 6 feet, 175 pounds, smooth shaven; lower lip protrudes to a marked degree.

CLARENCE COKER. A reward of \$150, dating for one year from October 23, 1916, is offered by the Missouri Bankers Association for the arrest of Clarence Coker, 42, who on October 6, victimized a member of the M. B. A. and of this Association at Centralia, Mo., when he obtained \$35 and a draft of \$430 on a check for \$465 which he had given to the bank. The latter was returned from a bank at Bell-flower, Mo., as a forgery of a depositor's signature. Coker cashed the \$430 draft at Wellsville, Mo. The police of Columbia, Boone County, Mo., hold warrant for his arrest. He is 5 feet 10 inches, 190 pounds; has blue eyes, light complexion (florid at times from excessive drinking of liquor), is smooth shaven; has a "wheeze" or "huskiness" in his voice; has been in the elevator business all his life; often wears an Odd Fellow button or masonic emblem.

WM. W. J. COPELAND, who had rented a tract of land near Kansas City, Kan., and succeeded in getting a loan of money from a local bank member, recently left the vicinity without paying this and other debts. Copeland claimed to be a Quaker and spoke in "thees" and "thous." He is 55 years, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches, 165 pounds.

TAYLOR DOUGLAS, who claims Oak Cliffs, Ark., as his home town, has defrauded a member at Vandervoort, Ark., in the cashing of a bogus check drawn on the National Exchange Bank, Dallas, Tex. He was supposed to have visited Vandervoort while on his honeymoon. Sheriff at Vandervoort holds warrant.

W. EVANS. A member at Flint, Mich., has reported a loss. They declare that an individual has had printed numerous pay checks of the Buick Motor Co., to which he forges the paymaster's signature; that this man has passed several of the checks upon local merchants and that they (the bank) paid on one, thereby becoming a loser. The checks are poorly printed on a stone-color bankers' safety paper. The embossing on the checks is said to be very crude and the ink of a faded blue. The name W. Evans has been used as payee on the check passed upon the bank.

TOM FOLEY, 18, is wanted at Pittsburgh, Pa., on a warrant sworn to by a local member charging forgery. It is declared by the bank that Foley defrauded them in the cashing of several checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature (his sister's). He is 5 feet 5 inches, 140 pounds, of medium build, fair complexion; has black hair and dark eyes; his right eye is set far back in head.

FRED. GEIPEL, age 26, is alleged to have victimized a member at Chicago, Ill., in the cashing of a bogus check drawn on the Wisconsin National Bank, Milwaukee, Wis.

He is 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds, dark complexion, smooth shaven, smiles continually.

ROBERT H. HALL, 34, 2nd Lieutenant, First Indiana Infantry, located at Llano Grande, Tex., on October 6, put to loss a member at Brownville, Tex., in the cashing of a check on a bank at New Castle, Ind., which was returned to Brownsville as bogus. He also deserted his company at this time and is now sought by the army authorities He is 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds, has dark hair, dark b own eyes, very dark complexion; has several gold teeth in upper jaw.

W. H. HOBBY is wanted by a bank at Rabecca, Ga., on a charge of passing worthless checks. He is 28, weighs 140 pounds, has sandy hair, is 5 feet 10 inches, of lean build; at times he drives a Chevrolet touring car.

E. N. HOLDEN, 30, is wanted by a member at Clay, W. Va., on a charge that he has defrauded them in the cashing of a check to which he forged a depositor's signature. He is 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds, of light complexion; has dark brown hair. He wears a pin and watch charm of the Knights of Pythias.

GALVIN HUNT, negro, 28 years of age, is alleged to have defrauded a member at Lowell, Mass., by false representation. He is said to be the party who recently presented a depositor's pass-book to the bank, giving that individual's name and drawing out the full amount on deposit. He is an extremely dark negro, 175 pounds; has a rough face.

E. I. IFILL, 37, has put to loss a member at Los Angeles, Cal., in the cashing of numerous checks to which he has forged the signature of his wife, a depositor. Ifill is a follower of horse races and will undoubtedly be found where they are in progress. Warrant for his arrest is held at the county constable's office, Los Angeles. He is 5 feet 11 inches, 170 pounds; has dark brown hair and medium complexion; is said to "talk out of a corner of his mouth;" dresses well. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in the endeavors to apprehend and punish this man.

J. W. LEE, formerly employed by the Simplex Gas Plants Company, Chicago, Ill., has victimized a member at Fort Wayne, Ind., in the cashing of a draft to which he had forged the indorsement of his former employers. He was known at the bank in question, because he had transacted business of the Simplex Gas Plants Company with them. At the time of the cashing of this draft they were unaware of his disconnection with the company. The police at Fort Wayne, Ind., hold warrant. Lee, who has resided at Chicago, Ill., is 47 to 50 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 180 pounds, of stout build; has black hair and eyes; black mustache which is cut short and has white hairs at center.

MAURO MOVIO, Italian, who is traveling about the country representing himself as an Italian government munitions inspector and exhibits a passport purporting to have been issued by the Italian consul at Detroit, Mich., is wanted at New Haven, Conn., on a warrant charging forgery. One hundred dollars reward is offered by the American Express Company, and another reward by the Wells-Fargo Express Company, for his arrest and conviction. This man has also operated in Michigan, Virginia, New Jersey, Connecticut, New York and Ohio, with his forged checks. He has used the names Antonio Fumo, Maurio Bovio, Joseph Morrelli, Antonio Barone, Vincent De Agostino, Donato Simone. He is 38 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 160 pounds; has brown eyes, black hair, smooth shaven, dark complexion; his nose has been



MAURO BOVIO.

broken, is flat at the bridge, thick at end and turns upward. He wears a large pin in his tie centering a blue sapphire surrounded by diamonds. Chief of Police at Niagara Falls, N. Y., also holds warrant.

Mauratorio

H. A. NEWELL, who at one time was employed as a farm hand near Sidney, Neb., and who conducted an account with a Sidney member, recently left that vicinity. From a distant town he forwarded to the Sidney bank a check on the First State Bank, Alliance, Neb., for credit. He drew numerous checks against it and before the Sidney bank had been notified as to its true character, Newell had drawn out most of the amount the check represented. It was bogus.

EBER G. NORRIS, 61, has victimized a member at St. Johnsburg, Vt., in the cashing of a forged check on the Central Savings Bank & Trust Co., Orleans, Vt. The last trace obtained of Norris was that he had headed for Vancouver, B. C. The bank states that his head shakes continually and his hand is also unsteady.

LOUIS PROUX, carpenter, who recently opened an account with a member bank of Lewiston, Me., has defrauded that institution by drawing against a deposited bogus check. Check was on the form of the Old Colony Trust Co., Boston, Mass., He is 30 to 35 years, 5 feet 8 inches, wore an old gray suit and a slouch hat which he pulled well down on his forehead.

J. A. REEDER, alias E. V. Reeder, has cashed at Wheeling, W. Va., and Cleveland, Ohio, checks on the form of J. Philip Clifford, attorney at law, Clarksburg, W. Va., to the West Virginia Bank, Clarksburg, on which he has forged the signature of this attorney. Hotels have accepted the checks, but it is possible that Reeder's success may prompt him to turn his efforts against banks. We give a sample of his penmanship.

Each or Dearer

D. A. ROBINSON has defrauded a member at Hazard, Ky., in the cashing of a draft on the Provident Life & Trust Co., Louisville, Ky. (a non-existing company). He is 33 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 165 pounds, of good build; has blue eyes, dark thick hair.

### Darobinson

TOM THOMAS, known also as William Jones, negro, is wanted by a bank at Metter, Ga., for forgery. He is 150 pounds, stocky, black, scar on back of neck inch long; claims to be hard of hearing and to have worked in coal mines of Virginia. (Foregoing as per circular letter of the Georgia Bankers Association, who ask notification.)

JOHN J. THORNTON, age 21, on October 30, attempted to pass a bogus check on a Buffalo, N. Y., member, but when the bank teller referred to his books, Thornton took this opportunity to hasten out. He is 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds.

E. H. TREES, claiming to be a relative of J. C. Trees of the Benedum-Trees Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., on October 10, succeeded in having a member at Dallas, Tex., cash a bogus draft on the Mellon National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. J. C. Trees pronounces the alleged E. H. Trees as an imposter. The latter is 38 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 180 pounds, of heavy build, dark complexion; has dark eyes and hair; forceful talker and of forceful appearance.

J. WALTERS put to loss a member at Porterville, Cal., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a signature. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in this case. He is 26 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds; has brown hair and eyes, dark complexion, small scar on upper lip.

CHARLES SHIMP, alias Jack Rhoades, is wanted by a member at Elko, Nev., on a charge of defrauding a member by passing a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature. He has done considerable ranch work and is a professional bronco buster and exhibition rider. Sheriff at Elko, Nev., holds warrant. He is 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 175 pounds, short, stocky build; has light hair, eyes and complexion. His front teeth are spread unusually far apart.

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DR. V. VAN PELT has victimized a member at Philadelphia, Pa., in the cashing of a bogus check. The check drawn on the victim was passed at a hotel. When it reached the bank they paid on it, believing that it was one of a depositor whose name is very similar to the operator's. Another bogus check of Van Pelt's drawn on the Philadelphia Trust Co., Philadelphia, has been reported from Des Moines, Iowa.

R. W. VIERLING is reported by a member at Marble, Colo., as having victimized them in the cashing of a draft on the Mulnix-Rarie Sales Co., Denver, Colo., which the latter refused to pay. He has eashed other drafts on this company in the past, but on this occasion the company says he has no authority to draw against them. It is believed that Vierling has gone to Omaha, Neb.

ARTHUR WISE, 23, who, while employed at Webster, S. D., by a farmer, forged the latter's name to a check which

he succeeded in cashing at a local bank, is sought by our detective agents on this charge. The sheriff at Webster holds warrant. Wise is 5 feet 11 inches, 140 to 155 pounds, of slim build; has very light-colored hair; his ears stand well out.

HAROLD J. WOOD. Two banks of Camden, N. J., report that one Harold J. Wood an electrical engineer, called upon them and stated he was a depositor in the First National and the National Bank of Commerce, New York, N. Y., and inasmuch as he was about to go into business at Camden, he desired his account transferred from New York. He strove to obtain possession of a bank book but failed in his endeavor. The New York banks returned his drafts as worthless. He is 25 to 30 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 125 pounds, of slender build; has dark complexion, hair and eyes. He gave his address as Woodbury, N. J.

A. E. WOODWARD, who claimed to represent Brackett, Shaw & Lunt Co., of Somerworth, N. H., has put to loss a member at Lewiston, Me., in the cashing of a forged check, it is alleged. Woodward was known to the bank officials and for this reason experienced no difficulty in cashing the check. He is 5 feet 9 inches, 210 to 220 pounds, sandy complexion; has a "square" face.

#### HOTEL OPERATOR CAPTURED

Man who operated against hotels throughout every state in Union since 1909 falls before attack of our agents.

The most successful hotel check swindler on record is now a prisoner. We refer to Clarence Sheftall, of a thousand aliases, whose first illegal transaction dates as far back as 1909. There is, perhaps, not a city in the Union with one or



CLARENCE SHEFTALL

more hotels that this man has not entered to further his swindling endeavors. He would come to a large city and register in as many as five or six hotels at the one time—work them all on the same day or the next and flee immediately. This was much safer and indeed more profitable than registering in one hotel, victimizing it, then crossing the street to another to work his game there. His method of operation was to mail a letter ahead of him, care of the hotel. On registering he would ask for mail that might have been received in his name. In the presence of the cashier he would open the envelope, read it, then extend it to the cashier for reading. The latter would note that the letter and the enclosed check, which purported to have been forwarded to him to cover his traveling expenses by his firm, bore the same handwriting.

Sheftall, as a traveling salesman, would relate his need of ready cash and the one behind the desk would exchange the check for the hotel's good money. Now, it is not every individual that could work this game as successfully as Sheftall; there was nothing complicated about it, yet others had tried and failed. Sheftall had his own little way of getting into the confidence of the hotel people that very seldom failed him. Recently one of his checks was cashed by a New York City hotel and the matter reported to our agents. They immediately covered every hotel in the entire city in a search to ring about his apprehension, with the result that after two days they succeeded in locating him comfortably quartered in one of the city's best hotels. The arrest followed. Sheftall has been returned to Trenton, N. J., where there are numerous similar charges against him. Detainer warrants from many places have followed him there. On page 8 of the July, 1916, Supplement there is published an article with reference to this man with cut of one of his checks. He used the following concern names: E. B. Latham & Co., N. J. China & Pottery Co., Syracuse Hardware & Iron Co., Ft. Wayne Engineering & Mfg. Co., etc. He is known also as A. B. Hamlet, L. J. Renert, L. G. Atwood, J. M. Dawson, B. C. Bowen, A. V. Rawles, C. J. Weston, A. B. Miller, C. H. Kemp, A. T. Vance, H. H. Blatzen, T. P. Rowley, C. E. Emett, A. N. Willink, J. P. Avery, etc. He is 49 years, 5 feet 67/8 inches, 1321/2 pounds, of medium build, has mixed gray hair, light brown eyes, medium dark complexion. Bertillon: 69.8 71.4 87.5 19.2 14.4 13.7 6.9 25.1 11.4 8.6 46.4. Prints: 9/18 R/U 01/II 7. Has a small scar on right cheek; small boil scar near left point of chin.

#### AMERICAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Operator of checks drawn on fictitious bank has defrauded many merchants in east

Numerous checks purporting to be drawn by the American Life Insurance Co., J. B. Hall, Treasurer, on the City National Bank, New York, N. Y., have been cashed throughout the east by one C. A. Morgan, alias T. A. Smith, alias John Lunley, alias C. O. Russell, etc. This insurance company as well as the bank are fictitious.

J. B. Hall

#### NAMED PERFECTION BEDDING CO.

Operator of bogus checks who fleeced hotels of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Montana, is arrested at Santa Barbara.

After having conducted an extensive swindling crusade against the hotels of three states with bogus checks bearing the printed name of the Perfection Bedding Co., a man who gave his name as C. E. Johnson, was, on October 30, arrested by the police of Santa Barbara, Cal., upon receipt of informa-

tion as to the man's location from our detective agents. This is a most important capture, as Johnson had secured many victims while at large. It was as a result of a warning circular which our agents had furnished to hotels in the West, that Johnson was caught. He endeavored on October 30, to pass one of his checks at a Santa Barbara hotel. They recalled the warning circular, and at once notified our agents of the man's resence. He has used also the names of C. E. Smith, W. E. J. Ses, J. E. Strong.

#### OPERATED AGAINST HOTELS

Couple who worked clever check scheme secured several hotel victims in New York City before their apprehension.

Our agents on October 18, arrested in New York City one Ethel Call, and a Charles Rosenthal. They report that this couple had defrauded several local hotels in a forged check scheme which they worked as follows: Rosenthal would secure employment in an apartment house, and in one way or other get possession of the incoming mail. If by holding an envelope up to a light he would be led to believe that it contained a check, he would immediately tear it open and secure the check. In the meantime Ethel Call would have secured employ in a hotel as a professional telephone operator. Rosenthal would bring her this check to which he had forged the payee's endorsement, and when she had acquired the acquaintanceship and confidence of an official of the hotel she would approach him with the statement that a girl friend of hers had received a check; that this friend had endorsed the check and asked her (Ethel) to endeavor to have it cashed at her hotel. The official would see no harm in turning the money over to Ethel for her friend, stating that he would simply turn the check in for deposit with the day's account. Of course neither Ethel nor Charles would appear at their places of employment on the following day, but would obtain similar employment in another apartment house and another hotel to continue their good work. They used also the names George Gall, Charley Harris, Charles Rose, Ethel Rose, Anna Harris, and Anne Rose. The man is 27 years, 6 feet, 170 pounds; the woman, 28 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 130 pounds; has dark eyes and black hair.



WALTER ALBERTS

WALTER ALBERTS, alias James Hall, W. D. Harris, Joseph Hart, Walter Sangtinette, William H. Harrigan, W. S. Stone, who has passed bogus checks at Philadelphia, Pa., and Camden, N. J., was, on October 23, arrested at Philadelphia and returned to Camden. He is 27 years, 5 feet 8½ inches, 125 pounds, of slender build; wears glasses; is a cutler by trade.

# Walter & Sugtinette

H. F. ALTENHOFF, laborer, who recently passed three bogus checks on merchants at Rome, N. Y., was arrested by the police at Utica, N. Y., and has been sentenced to three months in jail at Rome.

J. W. BALL, a farm hand, has succeeded in passing a forged check on a merchant in Quinter, Kan.

CHARLES BRANDON, 35, has victimized a customer of a Morristown, Pa., member in the cashing of a check drawn on the American National Bank, Washington, D. C., which bore the imprint of a forged certification stamp.

#### GENERAL

STANLEY BRISKI, 21, has been arrested at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., charged with passing forged checks drawn on a local member. He was later paroled.

AGNES BUZBY, alias Mrs. Agnes Gordon, alias Agnes Albaugh, 19, was, on November 18, arrested at Cleveland, O., by our detective agents and the local police. She had passed bogus checks at Columbus, O. This girl placed responsibility for her operations upon one Clifford G. Gordon, of the Columbus Barracks, who she claimed had given her the checks to cash.

J. H. BYINGTON, of American Falls, Idaho, approached a depositor of a member bank at Hillyard, Wash., recently, and upon his representation that he was a prospective purchaser of land, he was referred to a friend of the depositor in the real estate business. The following day he approached the depositor with a check for \$300 drawn on an American Falls, Idaho, bank, bearing the endorsement of the real estate man, who later declared that it was a forgery, but the depositor himself endorsed the check on the strength of the real estate man's supposed endorsement and accompanied the man to the bank, where he opened an account and paid \$100 in cash and then disappeared. The depositor is out the \$100. J. H. Byington is 35 years, 6 feet, 175 to 185 pounds, of medium build, ruddy complexion.

D. B. CARROLL, who at one time was proprietor of a hotel at Gettysburg, Pa., and carried an account in the local First National Bank, is under arrest in New York, N. Y., charged with having passed a worthless check of \$550 on the bank referred to.

GEORGE CHANEY, 45, has defrauded many merchants of San Francisco, Cal., in the passing of bogus checks drawn on the First Federal Trust Co., San Francisco, and signed Joseph B. Wiles. He claimed to be in the oil business.

A. S. CORNELL, civil engineer, who claims to represent a bridge building company, has passed bogus checks at Effingham, Kan., and Savannah, Mo. He is 50 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 175 pounds, has dark hair, blue eyes.



MORRIS B. CORSONE

MORRIS B. CORSONE, mentioned in the September, 1916, JOURNAL Supplement as having victimized a jeweler at Millville, N. J., who placed faith in a check which Corsone extended to cover a purchase of some trinkets, was, on September 25, arrested at Camden, N. J., where he had also swindled several merchants with similar bogus checks. He has used the aliases Henry Wilde, George Gordon, Charles Braun, etc. Is 44 years, 5 feet 6½ inches, 158½ pounds, of medium build; has gray hair, light brown eyes, mixed gray mustache, medium sallow complexion. Bertillon measurements: 68.8 75.0 88.8 20.6 15.6 6.4 25.6 11.2 8.6 47.2.

EDWARD COWAN, 55, who claims to be in the real estate buisness, also to be connected with a New York moving picture concern, has passed a bogus check at Philadelphia, Pa., drawn on the Market Street Title & Trust Co., Philadelphia.

F. CRONINGER, 30, was recently arrested at Pittsburgh, Pa., in company with one J. F. Heckert, 32. They were taken into custody by the police on a local charge of defrauding by bogus checks. The police of Youngstown, Ohio, finally had these men returned to their town on a similar complaint.

E. W. DAVIS, known also as H. H. Howell, W. H. Johnson, H. J. Bennett, W. H. French, W. H. Baker, etc., is passing bogus checks upon merchants throughout the East. He recently operated at Wilkes Barre, Pa.

JAMES H. DIXON, who, on October 11, succeeded in passing a bogus check drawn on the San Jose Safe Deposit Bank, San Jose, Cal., upon an official of the bank at San Francisco, Cal., was on October 24, arrested at Sacramento, Cal., by the police. This man had declared to the bank official (a Mason) that he had just arrived in San Francisco from San Jose and while en route had met with an accident and was compelled to have his auto repaired. This had stripped him of all his cash, he declared. He offered to leave a very expensive Shriner's pin as security if the official would cash his check. He has used the names Williams, Wilson, White, etc.

W. S. ELFIN is passing bogus checks against the Merchants State Bank (non-existent) at Grinnell, Ill. These checks have been reported from Brighton, Iowa.

GEORGE HECIMOVIC, liquor dealer of Pittsburgh, Pa., is drawing bogus checks against the Allegheny Valley Bank, Pittsburgh, and cashing them locally. He wears a black beard and has an aristocratic appearance.

JOHN J. HIGGINS has passed at Schenectady, N. Y., bogus checks drawn on the Schenectady Trust Co. The checks bear the imprint of a forged certification stamp.

W. G. HOLLIS, who is alleged to have defrauded a Havana, Cuba, bank and during November, 1916, endeavored to defraud a lumber concern at New York, N. Y., by forged checks, was, on November 16, arrested in New York City by our agents and the local authorities.

L. D. HOSKINSON. A hotel at New York, N. Y., has cashed a check on the Farmers Bank, Lincoln, Mo., to the Mechanics American National Bank, St. Louis, Mo., payable to the order of L. D. Hoskinson, signed S. O. Brill, cashier. The Mechanics Bank states that the signature of their cashier is forged on this check. The hotel is the victim. The check was evidently secured from the bank's printer.

L. M. IRELAND, formerly connected with the Fargo Courier News, Fargo, N. D., is alleged to have defrauded a bank at Kulm, N. D., in the cashing of a check to which he forged his employer's indorsement. Warrant is held by the sheriff of Lamoure County, N. D.

THOMAS JENSEN, 45 to 50, has operated at Bellingham, Wash., where he defrauded a hardware dealer with a check drawn on the Arlington State Bank, Arlington, Wash. The check was returned marked "forgery."

ALBERT LE BOURDAIS, alias Albert Labonte, who on October 23, passed a bogus check at Lewiston, Me., was arrested by our agents and the local police on that day. This man has served a previous term for forgery.

M. MICHAELSON, 30, is drawing checks against the Broadway National Bank, Chelsea, Mass., in which institution he no longer carries an account. These checks have been cashed in Boston and vicinity. ·He is a Hebrew.

J. MORRISON, 40, has secured possession of a Stutz automobile from a concern at Philadelphia, Pa., on a cashier's check drawn against the Republic Trust Co., of Philadelphia. This check was returned by the bank as worthless. It also bore the imprint of a certification stamp which Morrison had himself gotten up and to which he had forged the bank cashier's signature. Morrison had carried an account at the bank but it held but a few cents at the time this check was passed.

Morrison.

JAS. M. MORRISON, 30 has passed at Philadelphia, Pa., a bogus check drawn on the Market Street Title & Trust Co., Philadelphia.

WM. E. NELSON, has passed at Fairhaven and New Bedford, Mass., bogus checks on the Fourth National Bank, Baltimore, Md., which bank does not exist. Nelson and his brother immediately after cashing the checks left the vicinity.

CHARLES A. NEWMAN is wanted at Mason City, Iowa, on a warrant charging him with swindling by means of a forged check. A local member reports that many merchants have taken up his checks; that he is a press feeder and is now at Chicago or vicinity, employed at this work.

HAROLD E. NOBLE, who is referred to on page 69, of the November, 1916, JOURNAL supplement, as a man who buys autos on forged certified checks, was on November 13, arrested at Worcester, Mass., by the local authorities. Noble operated against auto dealers with checks on the Franklin Trust Co., Philadelphia, Pa., and the Greenpoint National, Brooklyn, N. Y., which he stamped with a certification stamp of his own manufacture, forging the cashier's name on each

check. He would buy an auto with a check and immediately sell it in another town, the richer in amount of the selling price. He was accompanied in all his operations by his wife and little boy. This served to create a "domestic appearance" and prompted Noble's chances of success. He said he was a soap salesman. He is known also as H. O. Norris, Harry D. Noble, Henry A. Noble, Edward H. Nevis, etc. An account of his swindles, his description and photograph are published in the JOURNAL supplement referred to. He was endeavoring to further his ill-work when apprehended at Worcester. He has been returned to Easton, Pa., on a local charge.

H. M. OATES, 22, fish culturist, on October 7, surrendered himself to the police of San Francisco, Cal., declaring that he has passed a thousand dollars in worthless checks in San Jose, San Rosa and San Francisco, Cal. To our knowledge he did not operate against banks.

WALTER 'OLIVER has been arrested at Denver, Colo., on a charge of defrauding a Georgetown, Ohio bank, in the cashing of a forged check.

JOHN P. PARKER and Mrs. E. Parker, who have operated at Stockton, Cal., with bogus checks—calling on a real estate dealer, gaining his confidence in the guise that they intended to buy local lands, having the dealer accompany them to a bank, depositing a bogus check on the Washoe County Bank, Reno, Nev., for collection, obtaining a book of checks, and immediately going forth and fleecing local merchants with the spurious paper—were on November 8 arrested at Poplar Bluffs, Mo.

C. J. PERSON. A member at Williamsburg, Va., has reported that a customer of theirs who conducts a local garage recently accepted a check from one C. J. Person, drawn on the Home Savings Bank Company, Toledo, Ohio, which was returned as bogus. Person represented himself as the financial agent of an auto stock company.

C. A. PURSELL, alias J. W. Crockett, alias W. R. Pursell, a former salesman of the Blanke Coffee Co., St. Louis, Mo., is issuing bogus checks on the Third National Bank, St. Louis. These checks are made out without exception to C. A. Purcell, but bear other names as the signer.

LAURELLA QUINN, alias Ethel Kenney, Josephine Prager, Geraldine Wright, Mrs. John Delaney, Daisy Reynolds, etc., was, on November 13, arrested at San Francisco, Cal., for passing numerous bogus checks on local stores drawn on the Anglo & London-Paris National Bank, San Francisco.



J. L. REYNOLDS.

J. L. REYNOLDS. An article appears on page 68 of the November, 1916, Journal Supplement, titled "Drafts Printed Without Authority," in connection with which there is reproduced a blank cashier's draft of the Citizens National Bank, Salmon, Idaho, to the Continental and Commercial Bank of Chicago, Chicago, Ill. It is stated that a certain individual had a thousand of these drafts printed without the bank's authority, and that he was evidently planning an extensive swindling tour. Since the publication of that article we have been notified by the bank that they secured the arrest of the one who had the drafts printed, and that he was immediately lodged in the Montana State Prison. He gave his name as J. L. Reynolds.

HEWITT RATCLIFFE, 29, was, on October 25, arrested at Atlanta, Ga., charged with passing bogus checks drawn on the National City Bank, Cleveland, O.

C. O. SMITH, 32, is drawing bogus checks on the Oakland Savings & Trust Co., Pittsburgh, Pa. Several merchants at Pittsburgh have accepted these checks. It is an old form of check not now in use by this bank.

J. E. STALKER, 30 to 35, has operated at Rochester, N. Y., against a merchant, with a bogus check drawn on the National Bank of Commerce, Rochester. The local police are anxious to cause this man's apprehension.

MRS. ANNA STEWART. Bogus checks drawn on the Farmers National Bank, Reading, Penna., have been cashed at Fargo, N. D., Butte, Mont., and Pocatello, Idaho, by a woman using the following names: Mrs. Anna Stuart, Mrs. J. C. Stewart, Mrs. Anna E. Hamilton, Jane Reid, Jane Phillips, Anna A. Sherman, Sarah E. Meyers. No banks have been defrauded. She is accompanied by a man, who claims to be her husband. Mrs. Anna Stewart is 45 years old, stout build, blue eyes, and light hair. Mr. J. A. Stewart is 40 years old, medium height, dark complexion, smooth shaven, wears bow glasses.

JACOB STOHLER, 25, has put to loss a bank at Max, N. D., in the cashing of a forged check. Sheriff at Washburn, N. D., holds warrant.

W. P. WILLIAMS, alias Henshaw, who in September, 1915, put to loss two hotels at San Francisco, Cal., in the issuing of worthless checks drawn on the Rideout Bank, Marysville, Cal., was, on October 29, arrested at Portland, Ore., by the local police. He has a record at San Quentin.

GEORGE WITHERS, 30 to 35, has victimized a customer of a member at Logansport, La., in having him endorse a draft on the Holbert House Improvement Assn. of Fort Worth, Tex. A warrant is held by the Houston office of our agents for Withers' arrest and full arrangements have been made to prosecute him when he is captured.

#### LAW'S NET SNARES BURGLARS

Men who "blew" and robbed safe of a Hinton, Okla., member, arrested shortly afterward.

On the night of October 27, the Citizens State Bank, Hinton, Okla., was entered by burglars. The safe was "blown" and \$4,160.83 taken. The work gave every indication as that of expert safeblowers. The men had entered through a side door using skeleton keys, dug a hole to gain admittance to the vault, took off the combination on the vault door and "shot" the safe with two light charges of nitro-glycerine. One charge opened the outer door, the second charge opened the inner door without breaking the glass over the time clock. On October 30 the authorities at Oklahoma City, Okla., arrested four men. The ringleader is W. H. Reed, alias "Mohawk Bill." Reed is 27 years, 6 feet, 178 pounds, has black hair, brown eyes; he has the wound of a gun shot in

his back. Number 2 is R. M. Andress, alias "Dutch," who is a plumber by trade and speaks several languages. He has traveled extensively; is a photographer and flat joint worker, 35 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches, 138 pounds; has hazel color eyes, blond hair, bald in front. No. 3 is Horace Grayson, alias "Icicle Slim," a man with a record. Is 29 years, 6 feet 1 inch, 147 pounds. No. 4 is George Mixon, also a man with a record. He is 27 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 124 pounds; has thick brown hair; pox marks on nose.

#### BANK ROBBER CAPTURED

Secures \$4,050 from Michigan bank by hold up, and is later taken into custody by sheriff.

At 2:15 P. M., on October 31, a man approached the cashier of the Eau Claire State Bank, Eau Claire, Mich., and mumbled some remark. The cashier upon looking up found himself studying the muzzle of a pistol.

He heard the remark, "I must have \$2,000. I have to be in St. Joseph by four o'clock. Jesse James never killed a man that he didn't have to, and if you use some good sense, it won't be necessary for me to kill you."

Upon hearing this the bank official handed out two packages of currency. This did not satisfy the robber and he demanded that the cashier stand back. Whereupon the holup man reached in and took two additional packages of money and then slowly backed out of the bank.

Fred Friends, the sheriff, was notified of the robbery. He rushed to Eau Claire and immediately took up the trail. He gained upon the robber, and finally overtook him in the open country. The man was deprived of his gun. He gave his name as Frank Rainey, and stated that he was a potato buyer of Hillsdale, Mich. He was searched and money was taken from every pocket; also a mask, a "black jack" and still another pistol that had never been used.

The bank had totaled its loss at \$4,050. This was the amount taken from Rainey. Our agents interviewed Rainey and he told of a period spent in an insane asylum at Kalamazoo, Mich. He was placed in jail pending further attention.

#### FALSE BANK ORGANIZER ARRESTED

Individual who claimed to be organizing an Oklahoma bank is arrested for bogus check operating.

St. Louis, Mo., has recently been the operating grounds of one L. R. Giddings, who represented himself as the one who was organizing the "Central Loan & Trust Co.," in Oklahoma City, Okla. A local bank believed in his tale and advanced him a sum of money on a check drawn against the Liberty National Bank, Tulsa, Okla., which was immediately returned as bogus. Numerous merchants and local individual accepted his checks on the Central Loan & Trust Co., Tulsa, and on a Beaumont, Texas, bank, they being also defrauded. Our agents who identified this man as the one who had been arrested during April, 1914, at Houston, Tex., for swindling many merchants with worthless checks, traced him to Springfield,



L. R. GIDDINGS.

Ill., where, on October 26, with the co-operation of the local police they arrested Giddings. When his Bertillon measurements were being taken at Springfield, Giddings remarked: "This is the sixth time I have been through this." He would not, however, state where the five other arrests were accomplished. He is now smooth shaven; is 65 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds, of medium build, fair complexion; has gray hair; is an excessive liquor drinker. Bertillon (taken 1914 at Houston) 75.0 81.0 93.1 18.4 14.7 13.2 7.2 26.5 12.2 9.1 48.8. Finger prints: 1/1 R/u 10/00.

W.R. Giddings

#### AGENTS JAIL MAIZE SUSPECTS

Two men believed to be responsible for hold up and robbery of Maine, Kan., bank are held.

On November 1, The Maize State Bank, Maize, Kan., was held up by three men and robbed of \$2.013.25. The case war put under immediate investigation by our agents and local authorities. Numerous leads were completely run out with the result that the strongest of suspicions were finally fastened upon one Rea Close and one Ray Whittenberg, of Wichita, Kan. On November 10, our agents and the local authorities placed these two men under arrest and they have been held for trial. The third man is still at large. Whittenberg is 26



RAY WHITTENBERG



REA CLOSE

years, 5 feet 6 inches, 145 pounds, of muscular build; has slate blue eyes, medium chestnut color hair, broad shoulders; is an expert auto mechanic. Close is 27 years, 5 feet 5% inches, 140 pounds, of slender build; has light brown hair, blue eyes, sallow complexion; is an auto driver; addicted to use of morphine.

#### ARRESTED BANK ROBBERS FOILED

Three men hold Harvey Bank and secure large sum of money, but are captured by police as they leave bank.

An attempt by three local characters on October 28, to rob the Bank of Harvey. Ill., was immediately followed by the arrest of the aspirants. As soon as the men had entered the bank an alarm was spread, and the police became active. As the men were leaving the bank with their booty, the officers closed in upon them and took them prisoners. The latter are known as George Stunkel, 20, employed by a local transfer company; William J. Steed, 25, a saloon keeper of Chicago; and Frank Fumar, a common laborer who resides in Chicago. They are held under \$10,000 bail each.

R. B. ALBAUGH, who is alleeged to have victimized a member at Grinnell, Kan., in the cashing of a raised check, was on October 21, arrested at Blair, Kan., by our agents and the sheriff of Troy, Kan.



JACK ARMSTRONG.

JACK ARMSTRONG, a cotton picker, has defrauded a member at Ennis, Tex., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature, was, on November 10, arrested at Fort Worth, Tex., by our agents. Armstrong is said to have picked as high as four hundred pounds of cotton a day. He is 23 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 163 pounds; has blue eyes, light sandy hair.

ALBERT BIERIGER, who has put to loss a member at Hastings, Neb., by mortgage swindle, was, on October 27, arrested at Fremont, Neb., by our agents and the local sheriff. He was returned to Hastings, Neb.

WILLIAM C. BLOOMINGDALE, alfalfa promoter, was, on November 10, arrested at San Francisco, Cal., by our agents and the local authorities charged by a Lemoore, Cal., member bank with having defrauded their institution in the negotiating of many forged bills of lading. He was manager of the Alfalfa Growers Association, Inc., Hanford, Cal. Is 50 years, 6 feet, 200 pounds, of ruddy complexion; has appearance of a Hebrew. The California Bankers Association coperated with this Association in financing this investigation.

ALCID BOWERS, 18, who has defrauded a member at St. Joseph, Mo., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature (his sister's), was, on October 22, arrested at St. Joseph by our agents and the local authorities.

BOB COLLINS and CALVIN McKINNEY have been arrested in connection with the hold-up and robbery of the Bank of Crowder, Okla., which was perpetrated on August 17. 1916.

GEORGE W. COLLINS, alias J. A. Randoff, who defrauded a member at Cleveland, O., by forging his employer's name to several pay checks, was, on October 28, exrested in New York City by our agents and the local police, to which place he had been traced by our agents. He was returned to Cleveland for prosecution.

LIZZIE CULPEPPER, 42, colored, who has put to loss a member at Birmingham, Ala., in the cashing of several checks to which she had forged a depositor's (her husband's) signature, was, on October 22, arrested at Louisville, Ky., by the local authorities on request of our detective agents.

HARVIE A. DAVIS, on November 17, was arrested by a member at Portland, Me. Davis had succeeded in passing upon them a bogus check drawn against the Metropolitan Trust Co., Boston, Mass., but the bank was too alert to allow him to escape before they had learned of the character of his check

L. A. DAVIS, negro, who, on November 11, swindled a member at Canton, Miss., out of a sum of money, was on November 16, arrested at Camden, Miss., by our detective agents and returned to Canton. Davis had a sum on deposit in the bank for a long time which he took out on October 25. He again returned on November 11, and drew out the same amount, declaring to the bank that it was not he but an impostor who had appeared there under his name on October 25. Our agents succeeded in getting him to confess his guilt.



CHARLES D. ERWIN.

CHARLES D. ERWIN, alias C. M. Irvine, who has put to loss a member at Spokane, Wash., in the cashing of a bogus check, was on November 6, arrested at Davenport,

Wash., by the local authorities upon information furnished by our detective agents. He confessed also to defrauding two Spokane merchants with similar checks. This man has served time for forgery in the Washington State penitentiary. He is 38 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 165 pounds, of medium build, medium light complexion, has brown hair and eyes; is a farmer and claims Nova Scotia as his birth place. Bertillon measurements: 77.8 82.3 94.3 19.3 15.1 14.6 7.1 25.1 11.5 8.8 47.9. Finger prints: 1/1 R/u 10/10 18.

CLIFFORD DUNGEE, negro, who has put to loss a member at Sewickley, Pa., in the cashing of several checks to which he had forged his mother's signature, was on November 3, arrested at Pittsburgh, Pa., by our detective agents. One week after his arrest Dungee was sentenced to two years in the Allegheny County (Pa.) workhouse, which is noteworthy quick action on the part of those concerned in the prosecution of this case.

WILL GOFFNEY, negro, who has victimized a member at Huntsville, Tex., in the forging of a depositor's name to a check, was, on October 28, arrested at New Waverly, Tex., by our agents. On October 29, DENNIS WASHINGTON, who was also confederated with Goffney in the forgery deal, was taken into custody by our agents at Humble, Tex. They are held at Conroe, Tex., awaiting trial.

WALTER R. GRIMES. Following an investigation made by our detective agents of a case wherein a member bank at Brownsville, Tex., had been defrauded by paying on a check made payable to a member of a regiment stationed in the south, which check bore a forged endorsement, our agents succeeded in having one Walter R. Grimes of the Second Virginia Regiment held by the regimental authorities on this charge. Grimes admitted serving several jail terms in his home town.

FRANK HAMMOND, alias Hall, whom the police of Houston, Tex., recently arrested has been identified by our agents as the individual who, during September, 1916, victimized a Houston member in the cashing of a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature.

DANIEL F. HARRIS, 20, who on June 21, by impersonating a depositor whose pass-book he presented and by drawing out a lagre sum of money defrauded a bank located in San Francisco, Cal., was recently arrested at Pocatello, Idaho, on a local charge. He will be returned to San Francisco to stand trial. The California Bankers Association has co-operated with this Association in this case.

RÀYMOND P. HATCH who has defrauded a member at Providence, R. I., by implicating himself in a bogus check deal, was on October 20, arrested at Providence on another charge. He was given a six months' jail sentence at Providence.

RAYMOND HEBERT, who has victimized a member at Coalville, Utah, by forgery, was on November 17, arrested at Florence, Colo., by our agents and the local marshal. He confessed and stated his willingness to take his medicine.

JOHN HILL, a clerk employed in the office of a depositor of a New York City member bank, was on November 11, turned over to the New York City police by our detective agents who had secured a confession from Hill to the effect that he had forged his employer's name to several checks. This followed an investigation made by our agents on behalf of the member who lost. Hill is 18 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 125 pounds.

ABRAHAM JOHNSON. (Additional information.) On page 77 of the November, 1916, JOURNAL Supplement we pub-

lished an article which we entitled, "Fake Land Buyer Jailed," quoting the facts of the arrest of Abraham Johnson. We gave this man's method of operation, his description and a specimen of his handwriting. Johnson has used the following aliases: F. O. Elliott, J. E. Elliott, W. H. Martin, W. H. Forder, T. A. Cusack, S. S. Schutt, W. H. Harter, W. H. Haller, A. J. Johnson, A. K. Johnson, Andrew J. Johnson, Arthur Johnson, Edward B. Johnson, G. M. Forder, A. Johnson. He at one time claimed to represent the T. A. Cusack Bill Posting Co. References to his operations are made in the following issues of the JOURNAL: January 1911, 387; February 1912, 498; April 1912, 34; May 1912, 695; July 1912, 625; March 1913, 600; May 1913, 762; July 1913, 14; August 1913, 106; December 1913, 447; August 1915, 19; June 1916, 180; November 1916, 77. His photograph is shown on page 19 of the August 1915 number and 180 of the June 1916.



TOM TANNUS

TOM TANNUS, who some months ago, entered a Chicago, Ill., member bank, presented his card reading: Walter D. Kerrigan, Jr., Universal Studios, Universal City, Cal., and declared that he was a brother of the well-known motion picture star J. Warren Kerrigan, Jr., then succeeded in having the bank cash a forged check for him, has been located by our agents. Recently the police of Decatur, Ill., arrested one Herman Madison, Jr., on the charge of attempt to defraud a local bank in the passing of a forged check. Our agents learned that his true name is Tom Tannus, and he was immediately identified by the bank and numerous others with whom the alleged Walter D. Kerrigan, Jr., had come in contact., He is held at Decatur on the local complaint. He is 20 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 149 pounds, of stout build; has black hair and brown eyes. Bertillon measurements not

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ELIAS MARKOWITZ, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was on November 21, taken into custody in New York City by our agents and the local police at the notification of a local bank that Markowitz has just attempted to deposit a check bearing a forged indorsement. It was ascertained that this check had been stolen from the mails. Markowitz declared that an acquaintance of his had given him the check for deposit. This did not blend well enough to satisfy the bank or the detectives, with the result that Markowitz was led off to jail. He is 24 years, 5 feet, 2 inches 110 pounds; has dark complexion, dark hair.

W. J. MAY, 44, who is alleged to have put to loss a member at Dayton, Ohio, in cashing a check which had been given him by a depositor, of which it is said May raised the amount from \$2.05 to \$80.05, was on November 3, arrested at Cleveland, Ohio, by the local police on information furnished by our detective agents. May is charged also with passing forged checks. He has lived in Cleveland for the last twenty years and is a salesman or advertising solicitor. May has a police record at Alliance, Ohio, being under parole to the Ohio State Penitentiary.

MARIE OFFNER, who, on October 17, attempted to victimize a member at Denver, Colo., by cashing two checks to which she had forged a depositor's signature, was on that day taken to police headquarters by our agent at the bank's request. The bank had detected the forgery and detained the woman. She was found guilty on November 4, and her sentence was remanded until a later date.

C. O. PHILLIPS, 26, while employed as a checker by the Texas Oil Company, Port Arthur, Tex., secured possession of two pay checks to which he forged the payee's signature and cashed one of the checks at a Port Arthur bank, thereby defrauding that institution. On November 9, he was arrested at Port Arthur by the local police on information furnished by our detective agents. Phillips fully confessed. He was born at Tyler, Tex., and has lived at Waco, Tex., since a child. He is 5 feet 8 inches, 135 pounds; has gray eyes, light brown hair, sallow complexion.

O. B. PICKETT, 35, on November 6, defrauded an Eureka, Kan., member, when he succeeded in obtaining cash on a check made payable to his order, signed J. A. Baker, and drawn against the Cowley County Bank, Winfield, Kan. The check was returned from Winfield because no J. A. Baker carried an account there. Pickett exhibited several deputy sheriff's commissions from sheriffs throughout Kansas and stated that he was doing special work along prohibition lines. He gave his address as Manhattan, Kan., but the sheriff there pronounced him as a man having a record. Shortly thereafter the authorities at Florence, Kan., secured his apprehension.

FRED RAGAIN, alleged to have put to loss a member at Bartlesville, Okla., in the cashing of a check to which he had forged an indorsement, was, on November 10, arrested at Bartlesville by our agents and the local authorities. This arrest was made after our agents had been upon the case for but one-half day.

ALFRED CHARLES RITTER, who is employed by a telegraph company near Denver, Colo., and who is also a graduate of Cornell University, was, on October 23, arrested at Sacramento, Cal., by our agents and the local authorities. This arrest followed a search of five days conducted by our agents which carried them across half the continent. Ritter had defrauded a member at Independence, Mo., in the cashing of a bogus check. He had operated also against merchants at Odessa, and Kansas City, Mo., likewise at San Francisco. His checks were drawn on the Bank of Odessa, Odessa, Mo., and the First National Bank, Nogales, Ariz. He is known also as J. Van Camp, and J. Hoffman. He is an expert electrician. He has done considerable railroad work. He is 43, 5 feet 10 inches, 140 pounds, of dark complexion; his hair is graying, has a bayonet scar which runs from corner of mouth to iaw bone.

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HARRY SAMUELSON

HARRY SAMUELSON, 24, has defrauded a member of Seattle, Wash., by cashing several checks to which he had forged a depositor's (his brother's) signature. On October 9, our agents at Los Angeles, Cal., found located in the local jail a man of this same name whose description answered that of the Seattle operator. The prisoner's photograph was partially identified at Seattle. Believing that this man should be extradited to Seattle for trial on the forgery charge, the authorities have arranged the necessary papers. He is 5 feet 9½ inches, 134 pounds; has chestnut hair, blue eyes.

JIM SEXTON, who has defrauded a member at Kansas City, Kan., in the cashing of several checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature, was, on October 20, arrested at Kansas City, Kan., by our agents and the local authorities.

HUNTINGTON SMITH, on July 1, cashed a check at a St. Paul, Minn., member bank to which he had forged the endorsement of the party to whom the check was made payable. On October 21, the police of Rochester, N. Y., arrested one, Frank Gansen, and charged him with the theft of an auto. Because of certain information that was obtained by a search of his effects, the Rochester police believed that he was wanted at St. Paul. They forwarded his photograph to that city, where it was positively identified as that of Huntington Smith. He will be returned to St. Paul when the Rochester police have done with him. It is alleged that he has operated also at Omaha, Nebr., with forged checks. He is 26 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 142 pounds, of slim build, German nationality.

SAMUEL STOUT, alias James W. Wright, who has victimized a member at Parkersburg, W. Va., in the securing of funds on a note to which he had forged an endorsement, was on November 3, arrested at Boswell, Pa., by the local authorities on information furnished by our agents.

ALBERT SUMPTER, 21, who is mentioned on page 73 of the November Journal Supplement as having victimized a member at Trenton, Mo., by cashing a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor, was, on November 2, arrested at Monticello, Ky., by our agents and the local sheriff.

EARL M. TATE, alias Terry Kellar, alias Jim Burns, alias Rogers, 33, alleged prize fighter, who has put to loss a member at Granby, Mo., by forgery, was, on November 10, arrested at Dollar Bay, Mich., by our agents and a deputy sheriff of Houghton, Mich. He admitted his identity and the forgery charge. Photo and description shown in the July Journal Supplement, page 7.

FRED VAN BUREN, who is known under numerous aliases, and who within the past month has victimized a bank member at Fort Wayne, Ind., Philadelphia, Pa., and a hotel in Pittsburgh, Pa., and individuals in Philadelphia, was, on November 4, arrested at Carneys Point, Pa., by the Du Pont



FRED VAN BUREN

special police, through information supplied by our agents. On October 25, Van Buren, while using the name Theo. C. Procton, called on the member bank at Fort Wayne. He pleased the bank official, and at once deposited a check against the City National Bank, Clinton, Ia., for a large amount. A pass and check book were given to him. He left the bank but appeared later, when the official in question was not in. He went to the savings department and opened an account with a draft on the First National of Chicago, payable to the Fort Wayne Bank, signed Theo. C. Procton, against the checking account. He then drew a check and received its equivalent in cash. The bank at Clinton, Iowa, thereupon notified that his check against them was fictitious. Shortly thereafter a check on the Fort Wayne bank, signed by Procton, was received at that institution from a hotel at Pittsburgh, Pa. Of course, it was returned as bogus. He next appeared at Philadelphia, where he operated against a local bank as he had at Fort Wayne. The bank was victimized. Several individuals of Philadelphia were also defrauded by acceping his bogus checks. He has used the names Charles Wilcox, Eugene S. Curtis, Charles F. Bratton, and Charles F. Byron; and has served time in the Nebraska State Penitentiary for forgery. He is 26 years, of medium build; has ruddy complexion, light hair, light eyes; his face is well rounded and covered with pimples. Bertillon: 74.7 77.0 95.1 19.9 15.3 13.4 6.2 27.5 11.3 9.2 47.0.

ERRET WARD, who, on July 11, 1914, put to loss a member at Wichita Falls, Tex., in the cashing of a forged draft and was later arrested and, on October 2, 1915, sentenced to one to seven years at the Nebraska State Penitentiary, and escaped, was, on October 11, 1916, arrested at Houston, Tex. by our detective agents. He will be returned to the Nebraska State Penitentiary.

RALPH WEST, alias George Rowe, alias Ralph White, was arrested at San Francisco, Cal., on October 28, by the local police on information furnished by our detective agents, for a member at Laramie, Wyo., who charges West with forgery. He is 20 years, 6 feet, 160 pounds, of slender build, fair complexion; has blue eyes and light hair; talks loudly and is hard of hearing.

C. T. WILEMAN, alias F. H. Dickson, who has defrauded a member at Houston, Tex., by a forged note, was, on November 13, arrested at Houston, Tex., by the local police.

"Whites of Eggs" has started to pay the penalty of his misdeeds. This is the alias under which W. J. Douglas, W. J. Rollonds, W. J. Rhodes, W. J. Williams, is best known. On page 74 of the November, 1916, JOURNAL Supplement is published an article on the arrest of this swindler and forger,

with his photograph. Shortly after his arrest he was returned to Philadelphia, Pa., where he had victimized a local member. On November 22, his case came before the courts, Douglas pleaded guilty, whereupon he was sentenced to not more than six nor less than five years in the Eastern Pennsylvania Penitentiary. Detainer warrants have been lodged against him. Our agents, who with the Fort Worth, Tex., police, had arrested "Whites of Eggs," assisted also in the prosecution.

FRANCIS PAUL SCHIERMANN, the musicianswindler, whosearrest is reported on page 75 of the November Journal Supplement, has been sentenced at Villisca, Ia., to ten years in the State penitentiary. Schiermann is known also as EdgarTrueman Pancoast, Henry P. S. Morgan, and Allen B. Morton.

JOHN SCHUNEMAN and F. A. LETTERMAN, who on February 11, held up and robbed the Bank of Red Fork, Okla., and were captured on the same day by a hastily organized posse, were tried at Tulsa, Okla., and convicted. They were each sentenced to fifteen years in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. The men consider this a steeps entence, in as much as they secured but \$184.35 on their raid.

JOHN D. BALDWIN, aliases Burton Adams, George A, McManus, L. J. Combs, forgery, September 18, pleaded guilty. three months, Alleghany County, Pa., jail.

GEORGE T. BRANDT, forgery, pleaded guilty; sentenced to Oregon State Penitentiary; immediately paroled.

JOHN BROWN, JR., forged note, paroled for nine months from October 27, was ordered to make full restitution to defrauded bank.

HOWARD BURNSIDE, alias Horace E. Brewer, bogus checks, November 4, eight years, New Jersey State Prison.

H. S. BURTON, bogus check, thirty days and fined.

EARL L. CAMERON, forgery, one to five years, Oregon State Penitentiary; immediately paroled.

BOB COLLINS, aiding and assisting hold-up and robbery, nine months.

SAGE L. COLLINS, alias Nick Turden, forgery, October 16, five to seven years, Montana State Penitentiary.

ARTHUR DAVIS, forgery, October 7, two years, San Quentin (Cal.) Penitentiary.

EVERETT J. DAVIS, forgery, pleaded guilty; suspended sentence and obliged to make good the loss of the victimized bank.

HARRY W. DRYDEN, alias Frank Jackson, forgery, one to ten years, Oregon State Penitentiary; immediately paroled.

CLIFFORD DUNGEE, forgery, November 12, two years, Allegheny County, Pa., Workhouse.

LINDSLEY EASTBURN, forgery, pleaded guilty, four months to five years, Washington State Reformatory, Monroe, Wash.

CHARLES D. ERWIN, alias C. M. Irvine, forgery, November 10, five years, Washington State Penitentiary.

FRANK GENEBIS, worthless checks, November 3, three years, Folsom (Cal.) Penitentiary.

PHILLIP GREENBERG, alias F. S. Flick, bogus check; indeterminate term, Ohio Reformatory, Mansfield, O. (Not less than fifteen months.)

#### CONVICTED

C. C. HARLEY, bogus check, 30 days and fined.

J. L. JESSUP, alias J. F. Banks, James Stout, etc., bogus draft, pleaded guilty; sentence suspended pending his return to the State of Georgia where there is an indictment against him for the embezzlement of county funds.

NED KEEFE, forgery, July 19, pleaded guilty; made restitution and was paroled.

HARRY KLUMP, forgery, pleaded guilty; eighteen months, North Dakota State Reformatory. His sentence was moderated through consideration of his youth.

JOHN MARGON, alias John J. Markos, forgery, November, 1916, two to five years, Sing Sing.

CHARLES MARTIN, holdup and attempted robbery, twenty to thirty years, Washington State Penitentiary.

PAT J. O'NEIL raised and forged checks, pleaded guilty; twelve years, Ohio State Penitentiary.

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CHARLES OWENS, alias Meto Owens, etc., forgeries, indeterminate term, Illinois State Penitentiary.

F. L. RENDERKANECHT, forgery, turned over to military authorites at El Paso, Texas, and court-martialed.

LOUIS RUBENSTEIN, bogus check, six months in jail, Spokane, Wash.

FRED O. SCHULTZE; forgery, one to one and one-half years, hard labor at Auburn, N. Y., prison.

JOHN SCOTT, forgery, six months in chain gang from September 15. He had already served seven months in jail.

CHARLES SMITH, alias J. W. Doke, forgery, one to five years, Indiana State Penitentiary; sentence suspended during good behavior.

STEVE SNYDER, hold up and attempted robbery, twenty to thirty-five years, Washington State Penitentiary.

MILTON SPEARS, hold up and robbery, fifteen years, Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

WILL STROZIER, forgery, June 2, one year and eleven months, Missouri Training School for Boys, Boonville, Mo.

J. THOMPSON, bogus checks, six months suspended sentence.

FRED. VAN BUREN, alias Theo. C. Procton, etc., check swindle, November 14, not less than one year to fifteen months, Eastern Penitentiary, Penna.

#### RELEASED

HARRY E. BEARDSLEY, alleged bogus check, released; grand jury found no true bill.

ALBERT BIERIGER, mortgage swindle; case dismissed. First offense and age considered.

LIZZIE CULPEPPER, alleged forgeries, released; extradition responsibilities unadjusted.

MRS. EDITH DULAN, alias Edna Dulan, alleged forgery, released; prosecuted without results.

B. P. HAYNIE, alleged worthless check, released; Grand Jury failed to indict for lack of sufficient evidence.

TOM KELTNER, alleged forgery, released.

H. R. METZGER, forged check, released.

O. C. PHILLIPS, alleged forgery, released.

MRS. GERALD A. RICE, alleged swindle, released.

JEFF ROBINSON, alleged forged check, released.

ALBERT SUMPTER, forged check, released on habeas corpus proceedings. Authorities of Trenton, Mo., postponed action until Sumpter's release was ordered by the courts.

GEORGE TROWBRIDGE, forgery, released.

#### **ESCAPED**

DWIGHT HAMBRICK, forgery; escaped jail while awaiting trial.

#### AWAITING ACTION

#### ALLEGED FORGERS AND SWINDLERS

Albaugh, R. B., raised check, Grinnell, Kan. Amato, Bruna, forgery, Richfield Springs, N. Y. Armstrong, Jack, forgery, Ennis, Texas. Babcock, F. A., bogus check, Chattanooga, Tenn. Bishop, James G., forgery, New Haven, Conn. Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass. Bloomingdale, William C., forgery, Lemoore, Cal. Boland, James M., bogus check, Hudson Falls, N. Y. Bowers, Alcid, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo. Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal. Busby, Joe, mortgage swindle, Claremore, Okla. Calder, William H., forgery, New York, N. Y. Campbell, Roy M., worthless check, Kansas City, Mo. Caudle, Roy, raised check, Woodbine, Kan. Clark, Josephine, forgery, Philadelphia, Pa. Clark, W. E., forgery, Kansas City, Mo. Coleman, Daniel, worthless check, Los Gatos, Cal. Collins, George W., forgery, Cleveland, Ohio. Cox, Lucile, forgery, Fort Worth, Tex. Cragin, George H., forgery, Boston, Mass. Davis, Harvie A., bogus check, Portland, Me. Davis. L. A., swindle, Canton, Miss. Dodson, C. L., forgery, Boston, Mass. Fox, Harry, bogus check, Lynchburg, Va. Frey, Sam, forgery, Collinsville, Okla. Galbinowitz, Harry W., forgery, Boston, Mass. Giddings, L. R., bogus check, St. Louis, Mo. Goffney, Will, forgery, Huntsville, Tex. Goodwin, J. D., forgery, Oakland, Cal. Gray, Sandy, forgery, Forest City, N. C. Grimes, Walter, R., forgery, Brownsville, Tex. Hadley, Albert, forgery, Eugene, Ore. Halstead, Nathaniel Carey, bogus draft, Portland, Me. Hammond, Frank, forgery, Houston, Tex. Hannegan, James J., forgery, Corvallis, Ore. Hardy, W. J., swindle, Portland, Ore. Harris, Daniel F., forgery, San Francisco, Cal. Harris, Louis J., forgery, Pittsburg, Cal. Hatch, Raymond P., bogus check, Providence, R. I. Hebert, Raymond, forgery, Coalville, Utah. . Hill, John, forgery, New York, N. Y. Holden, A. F., worthless check, Atchison, Kan. Holmes, J. V., forgery, Deland, Fla. Johnson, Abraham, bogus check, McLeansboro, Ill. Johnson, Clark, forgery, Canton, Miss. Jones, Mary, forgery, Galveston, Tex. Kelly, L. W., forgery, El Paso, Tex.

Kurz, Otto, mortgage swindle, Tulsa, Okla. Langner, Mollie, swindle, Cleveland, Ohio. Loehrs, Bernard, bogus check, Asbury Park, N. J. Lowe, Alfred, forgery, Baileyton, Tenn. McConnell, Ruel T., worthless drafts, Hattiesburg, Miss. Markowitz, Elias, forgery, New York, N. Y. Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark. May, W. J., raised check, Dayton, Ohio. Mayes, J. S., worthless check, Daytona Beach, Fla. Miller, A. J., forgery, Lyons, Kan. Miller, George, forgery, Ithaca, N. Y. Morris, David T., forgery, Detroit, Mich. Murphy, Edward V., forgery, Washington, D. C. Offner, Marie, forgery, Denver, Colo. Olson, Marvin E., forgery, Chicago, Ill. Osborne, Clarence, forgery, Pendleton, Ore. Parish, M. N., forgery, Potwin, Kan. Pickett, O. B., bogus check, Eureka, Kan. Powell, Sonney, forgery, Oilton, Okla. Pritchard, R. E., mortgage swindle, Haskell, Okla. Ragain, Fred, forgery, Bartlesville, Okla. Redman, John H., forgery, Tipton, Ind. Rhyme, Amanda, forgery, Floral City, Fla. Richardson, F. L., forgery, Boston, Mass. Riche, A. L., swindle, Boston, Mass. Richmond, George, bogus checks, Evanston, Ill. Ritter, Alfred Charles, bogus check, Independence, Mo. Roberts, W. W., swindle, Maysville, Mo. Roeder, Albert, forgery, Boston, Mass. Rosenberg, I., forgery, Bandon, Ore. Rudd, Harry, forgery, Jackson, Miss. Samuelson, Harry, forgery, Seattle, Wash. Sanders, Mrs. S. D., swindle, Baker, Ore. Settle, William, forgery, Pendleton, Ore. Sexton, Jim, forgery, Kansas City, Kan. Shuter, James, bogus checks, Belvidere, N. J. Skaggs, Charles H., swindle, Friars Point, Miss. Skillman, Harry, swindle, Silver Springs, N. Y. Smith, A. B., forgery, Livingston, Cal. Smith, C. J., raised checks, Akron, Ohio. Smith, Huntington, forgery, St. Paul, Minn. Socwell, Wm. H., swindle, Jacksonville, Fla. Stamper, Horace, forgery, Wichita, Kan. Stanford, R. E., forgery, Catoosa, Okla. Stevens, George S., forgery, Boston, Mass.

Stinnette, Estline, forgery, Galveston, Tex.
Storey, Luther, forgery, New Orleans, La.
Stout, Samuel, forgery, Parkersburg, W. Va.
Tannus, Tom, forgery, Chicago, Ill.
Tate, Earl M., forgery, Granby, Mo.
Tiley, E. L., bogus check, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont.
Ward, Erret, forged draft, Wichita Falls, Tex.
Ward, J. M., forgery, Los Angeles, Cal.
Welch, Clyde W., forgery, Cleveland, Ohio.
West, Ralph, forgery, Laramie, Wyo.
Wileman, C. T., forgery, Houston, Tex.
Williams, Jack, forgery, Kansas City, Mo.
Wright, Will E., forgery, Houston, Tex.

#### BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Alderman, Hugh, hold up, Homestead, Fla. Andress, R. M., robbery, Hinton, Okla. Ashley, John, hold up, Stuart, Fla. Ballew, Barney, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan. Berri, Jack, hold up, Neck City, Mo. Carsen, Grady, hold up, Heavener, Okla. Close, Rea, suspected robbery, Maize, Kan. Culver, Edward, hold up, Vian, Okla. Downing, H. L., attempted robbery, Curwensville, Pa. Fumar, Frank, attempted robbery, Harvey, Ill. Grayson, Horace, robbery, Hinton, Okla. Johnson, Charles H., hold up, Stroud, Okla. King, Norval S., hold up, Englewood, Colo. McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla. Mixon, George, robbery, Hinton, Okla. Mulkey, Frank, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan. Payne, W. M., hold up, Vian, Okla. Rainey, Frank, robbery, Eau Claire, Mich. Reed, W. H., robbery, Hinton, Okla. Rice, Frank, hold up, Homestead, Fla. Smith, Frank, hold up, Heavener, Okla. Steed, William J., attempted robbery, Harvey, Ill. Stunkel, George, attempted robbery, Harvey, Ill. Trowbridge, Bertha, hold up, Jarbalo, Kan. Von Walden. Edward. hold up San Francisco, Cal. Whittenberg, Ray, suspected robbery, Maize, Kan.

#### STATISTICS OF PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

OCTOBER									
	Awaiting Trial, August 31, 1916.	Arrested since August 31, 1916.	Arrested in October, 1916.	Total.	Convicted.	Discharged or Acquitted.	Escaped, Insane, Fugitive or Dead.	Awaiting Trial.	,
Forgers	99	15	31	44	24	5	1	115	Forgers
Burglars Hold-up			3	3	2	1		• •	Burglars Hold-up
Robbers	14	3	2	5	1			18	Robbers
Sneak Thieves								• •	Sneak Thieves
	113	18	36	52	27	6	1	133	

	Awaiting Trial, August 31, 1916.	Arrested since August 31, 1916.	Arrests in November, 1916.	Total.	Convicted.	Discharged or Acquitted.	Fugitive, Escaped, Insane or Dead.	Awaiting Trial.
Forgers	99	44	37	81	56	17	2	107
Burglars		3	4	7	2	1		4
Hold-up Robbers	14	5	10	15	7			22
Sneak Thieves.								
	113	52	51	103	65	18	2	133

NOVEMBER

